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AWFUL SUSPENSE

EASTERN CRISIS

The Nations Anxiously Await the Opening of Hostilities

Rumor in London of a Naval Engagement in Which Three Russian and Two Japanese Vessels are Reported Sunk—Russia's Reply Does Not Meet the Wishes of Japan—The Japanese Minister Ready to Leave St. Petersburg—Families Flee From Russian Territory in the East Leaving Property Behind

ST. PETERSBURG, FEB. 6.—THE RUSSIAN REPLY HAS BEEN HANDED TO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT BY BARON DE ROSEN, THE RUSSIAN MINISTERS AT TOKIO.

SENSATIONAL REPORT IN LONDON

LONDON, FEB. 6—2.51 P. M.—THE SCARE IN CITY CIRCLES HERE WAS EXEMPLIFIED TODAY BY A WILD REPORT CURRENT ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE THAT A SEVERE NAVAL ENGAGEMENT HAS TAKEN PLACE IN WHICH THREE RUSSIAN AND TWO JAPANESE SHIPS WERE SUNK.

RUSSIA'S REPLY

DOES NOT MEET JAPAN'S EXPRESSED WISHES.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Indications point to the fact that information received at the Japanese legation here from Tokio shows that Russia's reply, in the estimation of the legation, decidedly does not meet Japan's wishes.

The general tension in diplomatic quarters here today is unquestionably increased.

JAPANESE MINISTER

GETTING READY TO LEAVE ST. PETERSBURG.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, is making preliminary preparations for his departure from St. Petersburg.

JAPANESE FAMILIES

FLEE FROM VLADIVOSTOK, LEAVING PROPERTY BEHIND.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—A despatch received here from Vladivostok today says the hasty flight of the Japanese residents there is attributed to secret orders from the Japanese government. Neither persuasion nor promises of protection by the authorities had any effect. The Japanese commercial agent aided in the exodus. During the course of the flight yesterday the store-keepers sacrificed stocks valued at several hundred thousand roubles for five to ten kopecks on the rouble.

It is added that there is general irritation at Vladivostok owing to entire lack of news, even in official quarters.

ABSENCE OF NEWS

ENRAGES THE PEOPLE AT VLADIVOSTOK.

VLADIVOSTOK, Feb. 6.—Even the authorities here apparently are without information in regard to the general situation. They receive casual instructions from which it is apparent that preparations are on the increase to repel a hostile attack; but, no comprehensive steps have been taken, nor has there been any special allotment of funds without which many things are impossible. The movement of troops forward to Korea has been stopped.

The public is greatly depressed by the uncertainty and banking and mercantile operations are at a standstill.

If Vladivostok is blockaded the offices of the Ussuri railroad and the law courts will be transferred to Khabarovsk, and the administrative offices to Nikolsk-Ussuri. The Oriental institute and other educational establishments will be closed.

It is rumored that all strangers whether Russian or foreign will be required to leave the precincts of the fortifications and the native residents will be required to provide quarters for 8000 soldiers, with horses, with orders to mobilize the reserves being expected hourly.

The Vostochiny Viestnik hopes there will be no war. The other papers are silent.

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And everything else in the sea food line on the same scale of prices.

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THE LUCKY ONES

AT WOOD'S BIG BUNDLE SALE YESTERDAY.

Below is a list of the lucky ones and the prizes they were awarded at Wood's mammoth bundle sale yesterday. The sale will be continued until further notice. The list follows:

Miss Clara Gagnon, Chelmsford Centre, Alpine diamond cluster, value $3.50.

Mrs. Annie O'Hare, 53 Cedar street, 8-day kitchen clock, cathedral gong, ½ hour strike, value $4.00.

Mrs. William Kittredge, 14 Ralph street, Alpine diamond pin, value $3.50.

Frank Clark, 40 East Pine street, silver fruit dish, value $5.00.

Edward Seymore, North Chelmsford, gent's watch chain, gold filled, value $5.00.

Mrs. Frances Regan, 93 Union street, onyx and gold table, value $20.

George H. Russell, 75 Powell street, Middlesex Steam Laundry, fancy tray, value $2.00.

Mrs. Francis Regan, 93 Union street, gold filled watch, value $10.

Mrs. Leda Lemay, 469 Merrimack street.

M. H. McCue, 781 Broadway street, walnut office clock, value $5.00.

Maria Walsh, 5 Watson street, gold finish clock, value $1.50.

W. Drake, 169 Appleton street, silver fern dish, value $5.

P. F. Mahoney, 162 Crosby street, gold filled gents' chain.

William Callahan, 75 Bartlett street, clock, value $1.

J. Daley, 118 Appleton street, tray, value $2.

Mary Hill, 308 High street, clock, value $2.25.

Mary McDonald, 308 High street, silver ladle, value $3.

M. S. Taisey, 108 Central street, gold opal ring, value $3.50.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, clock, value $1.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, locket, value $1.50.

R. Denault, 41 Jewett street, hat brush, value $1.50.

W. Vigeant, 102 Ford street, charm, value $1.50.

Margaret Murphy, 53 Cedar street, walnut case clock, 8-day strike.

John McElroy, 305 Fairmount street, combination set, cream ladle, sugar spoon and butter knife.

Mrs. Arthur Locke, 3 Coral street, hat brush, value $2.

Norman Bell, 23 Second street, watch for boy.

Y. M. C. I. ball, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening. Elaborate decorations, Knowlton & Allen's orchestra, of Natick, the best in the state.

PRIZE FIGHTING

Will be Taken up Again in Boston

Choynski and Kid Carter Not Indicted—Mannix Held on Charge of Forgery

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—"Joe" Choynski and "Kid" Carter of New York and Chicago respectively, who were arrested by order of the Boston police board charged with having engaged in a prize fight, were discharged today in the Suffolk county superior criminal court, the grand jury having failed to find an indictment against them. The arrest of Choynski and Carter was made during a raid at the Criterion Athletic club which was carried out by order of Judge Emmons, chairman of the police board in fulfillment of his announced policy to stop all illegal boxing and prize fighting in the city. Eight other men who were held for the action of the grand jury on the charge of aiding and abetting the fight also were discharged, a "no bill" having been found in each instance. It is understood that the managers of the various athletic clubs where the sparring contests have been held will interpret the report of the grand jury as a ruling that boxing legally may be resumed in Boston.

An indictment charging murder was found against Ray C. Johnson of Burlington, Vt., who is alleged to have shot and killed Mrs. Sadie Peters at a lodging house at the South End.

William F. Mannix was indicted on the charge of forgery. He was arrested on suspicion of having used the name of George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor and also on suspicion of trying to use the name of Gov. Bates.

JURY DISAGREED

In Manslaughter Case Against Rev. Frank W. Sandford

AUBURN, Me., Feb. 6.—The jury, who were out all night on the trial of Rev. Frank W. Sandford for alleged manslaughter, did not return a verdict at the opening of court today as instructed, but remained in their room. Reports were heard that the jury stood 10 to 2 for conviction.

Justice A. R. Savage called in the jury shortly after 10 o'clock and read to them a section of the Massachusetts statutes touching upon the duty of juries to agree. Then he requested them to retire and agree upon a verdict.

County Attorney Skelton stated today that he will not try the remaining four counts charging cruelty this term on account of the fact that so many jurors and people have heard the testimony in this case that their testimony might be affected again, saying he would recall them in a short time. The jury thereupon retired again and when the members again appeared the verdict of "not guilty" was announced.

The jury after an all-night session reported a disagreement this morning on the manslaughter case.

CHASE MISSING

Alleged That Accounts Are Short

LEADING CHURCH MAN AND OFFICIAL

Church Funds Believed to be Safe

LYNN, Feb. 6.—Harry E. Chase, cashier for E. V. Hyde, treasurer and former Sunday school superintendent of the East Baptist church, is missing, and it is alleged his accounts have been found short several hundred dollars.

Having borne an excellent reputation and been honored and trusted by friends and acquaintances his disappearance has caused a sensation.

Before departing it is stated he made a complete confession to Mr. Hyde, admitting taking money from the cash sales in the grocery store and stating that he did not know how much his peculations would amount to except that they might be several hundred dollars.

Last night the trustees and deacons of the church carefully examined the books and found them correct up to Jan. 16. The investigation will be carried further, but the deacons state that in their opinion the accounts of the church had been faithfully and honestly kept and there was no defalcation.

Mr. Chase is married and left a wife and two children at 69 Allen avenue, where he has made his home for several years. Mrs. Chase is prostrated with the disappearance of her husband and stories of wrong-doing. She has not heard from him, and fears he has become despondent.

Knowlton & Allen's orchestra of Natick, considered the best in the state, will furnish music at the Y. M. C. I. ball next Tuesday evening at Huntington hall.

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A GREEK WOMAN

Asked in Court if She Killed a Man

SHE WAS NOT OBLIGED TO ANSWER

Joseph Coyle Sent to the State Farm

"Did you kill a man in Greece?" This rather startling question was asked by Deputy Welch in police court today.

The question was put to Stavrula Kouconlonatis, a Greek woman, witness in the case of James Derdeloco and Chrysaldo Kouconlonatis, who were charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation. The woman to whom the question was submitted was a witness for the defendants.

Counsel for the defendants objected to the question.

The court allowed the question but instructed the witness that she was not obliged to answer it. She didn't answer.

Derdeloco went to city hall and got a marriage license, and, the government alleged, convinced the woman that no further ceremony was necessary, and, the police further alleged, the defendants lived as man and wife.

The defendants denied that they had lived together as man and wife and Derdeloco testified that he had a wife and three children in Greece.

It was evident that the facts in the case were being covered up and after a long and tedious attempt to unearth them Judge Hadley dismissed the defendants. He said, however, that he knew there was something in the background that had not been brought out.

TO THE STATE FARM.

The case of Joseph Coyle, charged with being a vagrant, came up on continuance in police court today. When the case was called a few days ago Coyle pleaded not guilty.

Officer O'Brien said he has seen Coyle loafing about Middlesex street for the last two months. He did not know what the boy's habits were.

"Have you any questions to ask?" asked the court of Coyle.

"No," he replied, "I don't believe that officer ever saw me before. I never saw him before."

Officer Dooley, who arrested Coyle from Wyman's lodging house in Middlesex street, said that Coyle has been loafing about the streets for months, sleeping in cheap lodging houses and begging his meals from door to door.

Inspector Donaldson told of a conversation he had with Coyle after the latter's arrest.

Mr. Donaldson said that Coyle told him, in reply to questions, that he had gone to Kentucky a few months ago. He did not pay any fare but managed to get there and back on freight trains. Coyle said he was in Lawrence a few days ago and admitted that he brought back with him a number of razors and shears.

"Where did you get them?" asked the deputy.

"I got them from a fellow I met in Lawrence, I don't know who he was," replied Coyle. He was sentenced to the state farm.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 4, 1904. The Committee on Public Service will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of governor's address relating to consolidating office of controller of county accounts with that of auditor; part of governor's address relating to uniform system of municipal accounting; and House bill No. 325 to fix salaries of harbor and land commissioners, at room No. 438, State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 9th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. A. Brackett, Chairman. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., Clerk of the Committee.

CARD OF THANKS. The Lowell Firemen's Fund association at the monthly meeting held Feb. 5, instructed the directors to extend their thanks to all persons who so kindly furnished refreshments during the recent big fires, and for all other favors granted. Signed,
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DEATHS

COLBY—Ida Ruth Colby, daughter of William H. and Annie G. Colby, died at her home, 52 Sycamore street, last evening, aged 12 years, 1 month and 10 days. Death was due to pneumonia, with an illness of less than a week. She was a pupil of Miss Breen's room in the Moody school.

GAHAN—Frank H. Gahan, aged 41 years, died yesterday at St. John's hospital. He was a well known employe of the Lowell machine shop.

LEAVITT—Michael Leavitt, aged 1 year and six months, son of Michael and Hannah Leavitt, died last evening at the residence of his parents, No. 3 rear of 236 Suffolk street.

VEZINA—The first death in St. Louis parish occurred yesterday afternoon, when Lillian Vezina, aged two months, daughter of Leonidas and Cordelia, passed away at the home of her parents, 19 Exeter street.

SWEETSIR—Mrs. Betsie W. Sweetsir, aged 93 years, died yesterday at her home, 32 Rock street. She is survived by one son, Charles H.

Superintendent Moffatt was elected a director of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Union at its annual meeting in Boston, Thursday night.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Fair tonight. Saturday cloudy, followed by snow; warmer Saturday; light to fresh to south winds.

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WOMAN ROBBED

Cabman is Held by the Police

MOFFATT IDENTIFIED BY THE WOMAN

Her Money and Jewelry Were Taken

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—A cab man known as Moffatt has been held for trial on a charge of robbery made by Miss Clayborn Sheldon of Buffalo, who told Magistrate Barlow a remarkable story of her arrival here as a stranger and her attempt to reach a reputable Broadway hotel through the medium of a cab. Miss Sheldon came from Buffalo, Jan. 15, she said, to seek a position, having achieved at home something of a reputation as a vocalist. She had been directed to an up-town hotel but at the Weehawken terminal of the railroad, took the ferryboat for Franklin street instead of West Forty Second street and landed down town.

"I told the first cabman I met that I wanted to go to the hotel," said she. "He said it would cost $5 and I got into the cab.

"I do not know how many miles I was driven, but hours passed and it seemed to me as if I had made the circuit of the city several times. Every time I spoke to the cabman he said that we were getting near the hotel. I could not understand what the cabman meant and after we had passed a familiar corner I stopped the cab, determined to get out.

"Where am I?" I said.

"You are near the hotel," he replied.

"Well, I will walk the rest of the way," I said.

"Then I tried to get out. The cabman seized me and forced me into the seat.

"'You will not leave this cab,' said he, 'until you pay me $100.' I asked what for and he told me to give up the money to avoid trouble. I screamed and he seized me by the throat. He told me to keep quiet for my own good, but I kept on fighting as well as I could. Then he threw a handkerchief over my face. I think it was saturated with chloroform. It made me sick. After a while I was able to walk and found that I was at Forty Ninth street and Eighth avenue, nearly two miles from the hotel."

The woman immediately sought a policeman to whom she told her story. She had been robbed of all her money, $46, a ring worth $105, her watch and many small articles.

Perhaps the most remarkable part of the affair which had occurred in a street which is crowded night and day, then developed. From the woman's description the policeman at once recognized the cabman and set out to find him. He had just arrested Moffatt in a distant section of the city and learned that he retired from the cab driving profession Jan. 16, the day after the hold-up. The officer fully confirmed his part of the adventure and Moffatt was identified in court by the complainant.

SESSION CLOSED

BECAUSE OF VIOLENT ATTITUDE OF OPPOSITION.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Feb. 5.—Congress yesterday passed the budget bill, but owing to the violent attitude of the opposition, the government closed the session. The bill providing for the sale of the battleship Captain Prat, the protected cruiser Chacabuco, the torpedo gunboats Almirante Condell and Almirante Lynch and the transports Maipo and Aconcagua was not adopted.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Cotton futures opened steady. Feb. 14.50; March, 14.75; April, 15.00; May, 15.10 a 15.30; June, —; July, 15.30 a 15.34; Aug., 14.60; Sept., 13.45 a 13.50; Oct., 12.35; Nov., —; Dec., 11.65 a 11.75.

WAS FATALLY BURNED.

SOUTH WINDHAM, Me., Feb. 5.—Rev. Otis E. Russell, who was badly burned by a fire which destroyed his home Monday, died today. He was over 80 years of age and always lived in this town.

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WHITNEY BURIED

Grover Cleveland One of the Bearers

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Funeral services over the remains of Wm. Collins Whitney, former secretary of the navy and prominent financier and turfman, were held here today at Grace Episcopal church. Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington, the rector, conducted the services, Bishop Doane of Albany also participating. In the assemblage which filled the body of the church were many men of the highest prominence in New York and the United States, representatives of the various interests with which Mr. Whitney had been identified, of the municipal and national government, of societies and organizations, of which he had been a member and, side by side with them scores of employes of the corporations with which he had been connected. Floral tributes in profusion were banked high around the pulpit before which the coffin was placed.

Seventy pews in the centre of the church were reserved for the family and relatives, intimate friends, representatives of the army and navy and business associates, the rest of the church being thrown open to the general public, crowds of whom had gathered before the church before the hour set for the services. Of the immediate family only Mrs. Almeric Hugh Paget, a daughter, was absent, being unable to return from Italy in time for the funeral. The honorary pall bearers selected were Grover Cleveland, Elihu Root, Thomas F. Ryan, J. Pierpont Morgan, Thomas Dolan, Grant B. Schley, P. A. B. Widener, H. K. Twombly, Col. William Jay, and G. G. Haven, but Mr. Morgan was unable to attend and his place was taken by H. H. Vreeland.

Major General Henry C. Corbin and Rear Admiral Frederick Rodgers, in uniform, represented the army and navy and Mayor McClellan the city government. At the conclusion of the service the remains was conveyed by a special train to Woodlawn cemetery for interment.

FRANCHISE ATTACHED

ONE COMPANY TRYING TO RECOVER FROM ANOTHER.

BARNSTABLE, Mass., Feb. 5.—The franchise of the Middleboro, Wareham and Buzzards Bay street railway company in Barnstable and Plymouth counties has been attached in the sum of $25,000 by the New Bedford, Wareham and Onset Street Railway company. The attachment is in connection with an action to recover the amount alleged to be due the New Bedford company for power furnished for the operation of the other road. The New Bedford company cut off the power last Saturday and the cars of the Buzzards Bay line have not been operated since that time. Early this week a petition for a receivership was filed by certain creditors, but the petition was not granted because other creditors urged that the road thereby would be cut off from the possibility of being able to meet its obligations.

OFFICIALLY DEAD

MOODY MERRILL SO DECLARED BY SUPERIOR COURT.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Moody Merrill, the former Boston promoter who died at Silver City, N. M., is held officially to be dead according to an entry made today in the Suffolk superior criminal court. The indictment charging Merrill with embezzlement has been placed on file. The government will not attempt to recover from the bondsmen of Merrill, since at the time of his death, legal proceedings against the bondsmen were not completed. Merrill failed to appear to answer to the charges against him.

LOPEZ REFUSED

WOULD NOT TAKE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

MANILA, Feb. 5.—Sixto Lopez, the well known Filipino agitator, whose unfriendly disposition toward American rule in the Philippines has been exhibited upon occasions in the past, has arrived here and refused to take the oath of allegiance. He will be promptly deported.

MAN ARRESTED

CHARGED WITH SETTING A $75,000 BLAZE.

ROCHESTER, Pa., Feb. 5.—The Smith building and several adjoining buildings were destroyed by fire about midnight, entailing a loss of $75,000, partly covered by insurance. A man was arrested charged with starting the blaze.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 5—The gross earnings for the year of the 30 steam railroads and 21 street electric railways in Maine, according to the annual report of the railroad commissioners submitted to the governor and council today, were $12,658,848. This was an increase of $895,739 over last year. The number of passengers carried was 6,993,016, a gain of 455,368, and the number of tons of freight hauled was 9,518,305, a gain of 660,612. The total passenger train mileage was 4,192,526, a gain of 540,168, freight train mileage 3,712,305, a gain of 379,306. The gross income from operation was $71,639,512, an increase of $6,741,232. The operating expenses were $50,018,376, an increase of $5,273,041, which nearly equalled the increased income. There were 50 fatal accidents and 207 not fatal from the movement of trains. No passengers were killed and 27 were injured. There were 18 fatal accidents to employes and 125 not fatal. On the street railways seven were killed and 40 injured. The total wages paid were $1,572,879, and the total number of employes 9236.

THE FINLAND UNINJURED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5—The steamer Finland arrived today from Antwerp, this being her first trip since she grounded off Flushing, having since been docked at Southampton for examination. She was uninjured. On her present voyage the steamer had an exceedingly rough trip, but without damage to the vessel or injury to passengers or crew.

THE CREW SAVED.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 5—A report received by the maritime exchange today states that the barge which was lost off Cold Spring life saving station on Wednesday last was the Purlinn in tow of the tug Nathan Hale. The crew was saved. The Nathan Hale is supposed to have sailed from Norfolk for New London.

ICY SIDEWALKS

Along "Burned" Side of Merrimack St.

Now that the fires are all out will the occupants of the buildings on the "burned" side of Merrimack street from Palmer to City Hall avenue devote a few moments of their attention to the sidewalks in front of the buildings occupied by them. They are without doubt the most dangerous sidewalks on the street between Merrimack square and City hall. The Bascom block is undergoing repairs, but the owners might give attention to public convenience in front during the operations.

It might not do any harm, incidentally, to remind the owners of these buildings that a person injured by falling on one of the sidewalks may sue the abutter as well as the city. The supply of city sand is none too abundant this winter, if we are to judge from its absence along slippery sidewalks.

TRADE CONDITIONS

ARE REPORTED TO BE SOMEWHAT IMPROVED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Special telegram from correspondents of the International mercantile agency throughout the United States and Canada make it plain that while railway traffic west and northwest has been handicapped by heavy snowstorms and low temperatures, wholesale orders for spring goods in leading lines have not been interfered with and at retail, general trade has been actually benefitted.

The toppling of the inverted pyramid of cotton speculation promises relief to the industry. Many mills in the south and abroad had shut down. New England advices say that mills have cotton supplies to last until July 1, some until September 1. Demand for cotton goods has gained headway within 10 days.

Most encouraging are special advices from steel and iron centres that production has further increased; that demand is better than on Jan 1st and that independent sheet makers have advanced prices $2. Cleveland reports more orders for steel within two days than for two months previously.

In New England general trade is of larger volume than a year ago.

Northwestern states are in a prosperous condition.

Heavy snowstorms have interfered with Canadian railway traffic. There are indications that the season's lumber cut may be reduced.

CHINAMAN NAMED

AS OFFICER IN A UNIVERSITY CADET REGIMENT.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Feb. 5.—Samuel Sung Young, Chinese student at the University of California, has just been appointed a lieutenant in the university cadet regiment. Should he rise to be major or higher he will be eligible for a second lieutenancy in the United States army. Lieut. Young is the only Chinese wearing the uniform of the United States army. He is a son of Rev. W. C. Young, a regularly ordained clergyman of the Episcopal church and formerly rector of a mission in San Francisco.

WELL-KNOWN TEACHER DEAD.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 5—James S. Barrell, one of the best known schoolmasters of New England, died today at his home in this city at the age of 77 years. For over 20 years he was master of the Harvard grammar school.

LARGEST SEARCHLIGHT.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Feb. 5—The largest searchlight in the world has just been completed and tested at an electric plant here. The machine weighs 7000 pounds, is of 5,250,000 candle power and projects a beam of light seven feet in diameter. It will be used for advertising purposes at the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

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MAHANOY CITY, Pa., Feb. 5—Six persons, all foreigners, were burned to death early today at Trenton, near here. The fire destroyed six double dwellings. John Chenconski and his seven-year-old son were among the victims. The names of the others are not known. The fire started from an overheated stove. The loss on the houses is small.

STEAMSHIP AGENTS

WERE UNABLE TO COME TO AN AGREEMENT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—One of the most important conferences of steamship men here in years has just been held. Agents and representatives of practically all the lines operating between Atlantic ports and the United Kingdom were present. The object of the gathering was to see if the current demoralization in the trans-Atlantic freight business could not be ended by a concerted action. The minimum rate agreement under which the lines have been working for two years or more, expires by limitation in a few days and the meeting was for the purpose of seeing if some common ground of renewing it could not be found. It is reported that there was little hope of reaching an agreement and the conference broke up without definite date for reassembling and with a prevailing belief that the freight situation will now become so bad that the demoralization itself will force the lines to come together.

Meanwhile the freight brokers report that while the old agreement has not officially expired, it has had a premature death in that it has been entirely ignored for 10 days or more and that large contracts for freight for forward shipment have been made at rates favorable for shippers. These contracts are now a barrier to any immediate negotiations for a new agreement. The London lines, it is understood, patched up somewhat of a new agreement a few days ago but no official agreement has been entered into.

The lines represented in the conference operate to the United Kingdom from all ports on the coast from Newport News to Portland, Maine, and include also the Canadian Pacific steamers. Connecticut lines were not represented.

BRITT STOPS TRAINING.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 5.—Jimmy Britt has stopped training for his match with "Young Corbett" March 5, on account of the latter signing to meet Dave Sullivan Feb. 29. The Britt-Corbett match, however, has not been positively declared off and it is possible that the trouble may be settled by the fixing of a new date.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5—Noon—Money on call easy at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@6½. Exchanges $198,934,748. Balances $16,464,344.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5—The stock market opened heavy. Amalgamated Copper 48, Atchison 69, Baltimore & Ohio 62⅝, Brooklyn Transit 43, Canadian Pacific 117¼, Erie 27⅛, do. first pfd. 65⅝, Louisville & Nashville 155½, Missouri Pacific 91⅝, Norfolk & Western 91, Penna. 118⅛, Reading 43¾, Rock Island 23¼, Sugar 116, St. Paul 142½, Southern Pacific 48¾, Texas Pacific 24¾, Union Pacific 80, United States Steel 11, do. pfd. 55⅝, Wabash pfd. 27½.

Gen. Adelbert Ames Command

There will be a meeting next Monday at 7.30 p.m. of the Ladies' auxiliary which was formed last Wednesday in Memorial hall. There was a large assembly last Wednesday and there promises to be an exceptionally large gathering of the wives, sisters and mothers next Monday. Signed,

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MICHIGAN ROADS

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DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 5.—All of the Michigan railroads report traffic conditions, which have been greatly interfered with by snow for the past few days, as improved today. The Pere Marquette's snowplow and relief trains which are burking the drifts on the Port Austin division, running through the snowed-in "thumb" division district of the state resumed its fight today at Blaine, which was reached last night. The Grand Trunk railroad started a freight train out of Windsor, Ont., today for the east, the first eastbound freight to leave in two days. Conditions about St. Thomas, Ont., which has been the storm center, were reported considerably improved. Grand Trunk passenger trains from the east were making better time today and getting through with no delays. The Wabash has completely abandoned its east bound freight trains.

LOST HIS LIFE

AGED WOMAN WAS BURNED TO DEATH.

MILLERS FALLS, Mass., Feb. 5.—Mrs. Mary Anderson, 81 years old, was burned to death today in a fire which destroyed the house and barn of Alonzo Payne, in this town. Mr. Payne, who is 75 years old, was seriously hurt by the flames and by inhaling smoke. The loss was $2,000.

UNDER MEASURED

GOVERNMENT CHEATED OUT OF JUST DUES.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 5—The work of the deputy surveyor of this port in measuring the French vessels in the harbor has shown that all the ships have been under-measured and the government has thereby been cheated out of its just dues in pilot fees and dockage and custom tolls. This government has in the past permitted French vessels to register their tonnage according to their own measurements, but a recent order has been received from Washington by which French ships are to be placed on the same basis of measurements as the American vessels. Ten vessels flying the French flag have been measured and in every instance it has been found that the net tonnage has been increased under the laws of this country.

MISS VANDERBILT DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5—Miss Elizabeth Vanderbilt, 87 years old, daughter of Oliver Vanderbilt, who founded the first ferry boat between Staten Island and New York, and a relative of Commodore Vanderbilt, is dead at the home of her niece in a small apartment on the upper West Side. Miss Vanderbilt had lived with the family for 25 years, but never had spoken to them of her business affairs. She had a large income, however, and is supposed to have held considerable property. It is said she had not spoken to any other relatives in many years, because of extensive litigation over her father's property.

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 5—Malcolm De Fere, doctor, ex-soldier and inventor, who was wanted by the Minneapolis police authorities for embezzlement, has committed suicide here by taking poison.

GUILTY OF MURDER

LIFE SENTENCE RECOMMENDED BY THE JURY.

ELDORA, Iowa, Feb. 5.—The jury in the Blydenburgh wife murder case came in early today with a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree and recommending life imprisonment. The defendant appeared stolid when the verdict was announced.

CUTTING ICE.

BANGOR, Feb. 5.—The American Ice Co., which has suspended operations on the Penobscot river for a couple of days, resumed cutting this morning. With 12,000 tons housed, the company expects to complete operations and fill two houses with from 40,000 to 50,000 tons of ice in from eight to ten days of fair weather. For the first time in many years no local company is cutting ice for export. The Bangor Ice Co. has housed 10,000 tons of ice cut on the Kenduskeag stream about three miles above the city. This ice was 26 inches thick and a couple of inches had to be planed off as it was too thick for use. Getchell brothers have housed 7000 tons on the river and 5000 on the stream. The Citizens' company has put up 5000 on the river. The season's cut will be about 68,000 tons.

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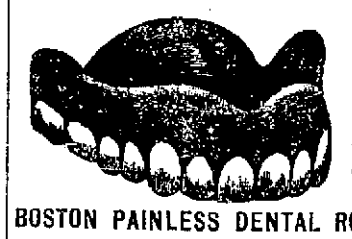

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Pretty Young Wife Leaves Her Husband

OSSINING, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Walter W. Law's large private estate, Briarcliff farms, has a sensation which is the exclusive topic in the gossip that has been buzzing all through this section of extensive suburban estates. Snow covers the golf links of the Mt. Pleasant Field club and Briarcliff lodge has a dearth of winter guests, but the disappearance of Mrs. Julia Coddington of Briarcliff manor and Frederick Weaver, who was for a short time an employe of her father-in-law, the general superintendent of the Law estate, has furnished midwinter talk for a week now.

Albert J. Coddington, Jr., whom everyone in this section knows as "Bert," married four years ago Julia, the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Washburne of Pleasantville, connected with one of the oldest and most prominent families of Westchester county. She was only 19 and had been a great social favorite.

The young couple went to live in a modern cottage on the Law estate, and Mr. Coddington plunged into hard work as his father's assistant in the management of Briarcliff, which has as many as 500 employes in the busy season, and includes one of the largest and finest dairies in America. A baby son was born to them, and, so far as the world knew, their married life was of the happiest.

There was surprise and consternation when, on Jan. 29 last, Mrs. Coddington left home followed four days later by her husband, who sold all his belongings, dismantled his house and announced that he would never return to Briarcliff to live. On the same train with Mrs. Coddington went Frederick Weaver, whose attentions to the pretty young wife had been marked. The husband drove his wife to the station at Ossining and believed her departure was for the purpose of a short visit to her cousin in Newburg. He saw Weaver on the train, but thought nothing more of it until Monday, when his mother received a letter from her daughter-in-law.

"I have decided to go farther than Newburg," the letter ran. "I have found a man whom I love more than Bert, and I am going to be happy at last. I shall never return, except to claim my child. Tell Bert good-by."

This was signed "Julia." The letter was postmarked Kingston, where Weaver came from originally, and where he has wealthy relatives, it is said.

Mr. Coddington, so his father said yesterday, was so unnerved by his wife's desertion that he declared he would go out into the world and try and begin life anew.

MILL CLOSED

UNTIL NORMAL PRICE OF COTTON IS REACHED.

ATHOL, Mass., Feb. 5.—Eugene C. Gaynor, secretary and treasurer of the Millers River Shoddy Co. here, has received notice from the Boston office of the company to shut down the mill until cotton drops to some where near its normal price. About 125 employes are affected. Mr. Gaynor says:

"It is impossible to tell how long we will be shut down, but we certainly cannot manufacture goods at a profit at the present quotations of cotton. We have all the orders that we can handle and business is unusually rushing but the company has decided to shut down the factory until there is a change in the cotton market."

SERIOUS CHARGE

MALE STUDENT MAY BE EXPELLED FROM COLLEGE.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 5.—The board of discipline of the state college of Kentucky is sitting today to consider a sensational case which may go to court. Miss Hargis, 18 years of age, daughter of Judge J. H. Hargis of Breathitt county, who is a student in the college, charges that she has been insulted frequently by Luke Hilward, a Lexington student, and subjected to taunts because of her father's alleged connection with Breathitt county's turbulent politics. Judge Hargis is here and demands that the college take action. The mountain students took the girl's part and ejected Hilward from the grounds at the points of revolvers. Hilward may be expelled.

MILLS SHUT DOWN.

ROCHDALE, Mass., Feb. 5.—A scarcity of water is inconveniencing some of the mills in this section. The carding, spinning and weaving departments of J. D. Clark & Co.'s mills at Greenville have had to shut down.

BROKE THE RUDDER.

WOODS HOLE, Mass., Feb. 5.—While ploughing through the ice in Woods Hole harbor today the steamer Uncanoe broke her rudder chain. She will not be able to proceed to New Bedford today.

ANTE-WAR FACTS

Brought Out in House of Commons

LONDON, Feb. 5.—An interesting little bit of ante-war history was revealed by the liberal leader, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman in the house of commons today, in the course of the debate on the amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne moved yesterday by Mr. Robson (liberal) setting forth that the evidence presented to the war commission disclosed grave mismanagement and negligence on the part of the government during the South African war. Referring to Joseph Chamberlain's jibes at the attitude of the opposition when Mr. Chamberlain yesterday defended the course of the government towards the Transvaal, Sir Henry said that when Mr. Chamberlain interviewed him June 20, 1899, prior to the war and asked him if the opposition would support the government in sending 10,000 troops to Cape Colony, he, Sir Henry, expressed surprise, whereupon Mr. Chamberlain said:

"You need not be alarmed. There will be no fighting. We are playing a game of bluff."

As a result, Sir Henry added, the opposition refused to relieve the government of any responsibility regarding the course it chose to pursue.

The statement of Sir Henry was greeted with roars of laughter from the opposition benches.

Mr. Chamberlain in reply, said he did not remember using the word "bluff." His only object in approaching Sir Henry was to make sure that the South African question should not be treated in a party spirit, so that the Boers might be convinced of the earnestness of Great Britain.

A FIRE SCARE

BLAZE IN THE WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—A temporary suspension of business at the Western Union telegraph office at 109 State street was caused today by a fire which started in the basement. The danger from the flames was not great, but as the smoke rolled up through the stairways, hallways and the elevator shaft, there was considerable excitement among the operators who occupy the top floor of the six story building. These employes, however, succeeded in escaping in safety although a number of the 60 women operators in their fright took to the roof. They were called back by the cooler headed ones and were taken to the street floor in the elevator. It is thought that the fire was caused by a crossed circuit.

OFFICIALS MURDERED

MORE OUTRAGES IN GERMAN SOUTHWEST AFRICA.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—Telegraphic communication with Windhoek, German Southwest Africa, has been restored. The authorities there cable that the Hereros murdered Assistant Director Hoepner of the colonial bureau and Herr Watermeyer, an agricultural expert. No information regarding the fate of Herr Muellendorff, the Cologne Gazette's correspondent, and Dr. Gerber, the forestry expert, has been obtained by the authorities. Both of these men are reported to have been murdered.

JUDGE LAWTON

IMPOSED SENTENCE IN IMPORTANT CASES.

BOSTON, Feb. 5—Judge Lawton in the criminal session of the Essex superior court in Salem yesterday imposed sentences in two important cases.

Arthur M. Farmer, the twice married man, was called for sentence on a charge of marrying Catherine M. Holker of Newburyport while he had another wife living. Mr. Holker, father of the young lady, testified that Farmer told him he had been married before, but divorced. He brought an alleged certificate of divorce, purporting to have been issued in New Hampshire.

Mr. Peters stated that the seal on the alleged divorce certificate was not a true seal of the New Hampshire court, nor were there any such judges as named on this bogus decree. Farmer was given 18 months in the house of correction.

Miss Holker, a handsome brunette with snapping black eyes and eye glasses, kept out of the courtroom without so much as a look at Farmer.

Herbert E. Sherman and Albert H. Morris of Lynn were sentenced, the former for larceny of street car transfer checks and the latter for receiving them. Sherman stole the checks from the offices in Lynn, where he was janitor. Morris was given 30 days in the house of correction and Sherman three months in the house of correction.

FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITIONS

STUBBORN GIRL

Meets Clemency From Judge Hadley

THROUGH A MOTHER'S PATHETIC APPEAL

Police May Arrest a Number of Such Girls

A little girl charged with being a stubborn child tearfully pleaded guilty to the complaint against her and her mother, who had made the complaint, got up from a bed of sickness and painfully wended her way to police court to tell Judge Hadley that she was willing to give her wayward child another chance. "It must have been a terrible task for so fond a mother," said Deputy Welch, "to make a complaint against the child she loves so well."

Such cases never fail to arouse Judge Hadley's sympathies and he told the little girl that she should be ashamed of any act that would in any way bring distress or discomfort upon her mother. He told her that he would allow her to go on probation this time but warned her that if she was complained of again he would send her away. The girl promised that she would find different associates and live to comfort rather than to distress her mother.

Complaints relative to the stubborness and questionable actions of young girls have been pouring into Judge Hadley's ear thick and fast, and while he is disposed to deal charitably with the offenders, he will not allow his sympathies to interfere with the law's mode of punishment. Cheap dances are probably the banner curse of the city, so far as young girls are concerned and the police have the names of at least 25 girls who have been reported as frequenters of against the orders of their parents. It would not be surprising if the police swooped down upon these dances some night in the near future and while the girls arrested may have the sympathy of the court they will also suffer the penalty of the law.

There is another source of danger that has been brought to the attention of the judge that will be looked into carefully. Mothers have complained that their daughters are in the habit of remaining away from home over night and when asked relative to their absence they will say they spent the night with so and so, naming some girl friend. Certain parents have become suspicious and in order to protect their children, have related their stories to the police with the request that the girls be kept under police espionage. The duty of the police in the matter is very plain and by paying strict attention to such complaints they will aid the parents in keeping giddy girls at home at least until they reach the age at which they can take care of themselves. There is an agitation on foot for a suitable place to send such girls where they will not come in contact with hardened criminals. But if such a place does not materialize in the near future a considerable increase is likely to be made in the female colony at the jail if not at Sherburn.

BY DIRECT LOAN

Money Needed for Underground Wires

While the city is making the other companies using wires put them under ground, the appropriations committee promptly turns down a request for $500, made by Chief Hosmer in behalf of underground wires for the fire department, thereby causing comment.

The committee in turning down the chief's request in this direction does not mean, according to one of the members, that it is opposed to the proposition of underground wires, but rather that it is the opinion of the committee that the money should be raised by a loan and not be taken out of the money available for appropriations for current expenses.

SMOKE TALK

HELD BY LOWELL COUNCIL, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, LAST EVENING.

Lowell Council, Knights of Columbus, held a delightful smoke talk at its apartments in the Associate building last evening and a large number of members attended. The affair was delightfully informal and the great array of talent of which the council can boast was at its best. Refreshments were served during the evening.

SOLON STEVENS CLUB.

The Solon W. Stevens Literary society held its bi-weekly meeting last evening at its quarters. During the evening the question: "Resolved, that the right of suffrage be extended to women," was debated. The affirmative side was upheld by Mr. T. Lipton Smith and Mr. Frank Kidder; the negative by Mr. John Wainwright and Mr. Wm. Graham. The judges in rendering their decision stated that the negative won, not from their debate but their rebuttal which was conducted by Mr. Wainwright.

The club decided to have its annual banquet at Putnam's during the week of the 22d of this month.

The debate with the Governor Greenhalge Debating club was fixed for Feb. 18, at the First Congregational church. The question is: "Resolved, that the annexation of Cuba to the United States would be mutually advantageous." The affair ought to be exceedingly interesting for there is considerable rivalry between the two clubs.

DEATHS

McCAFFREY—Peter J. McCaffrey, aged 49 years, died this morning at the home of his brother, James H. McCaffrey, 652 Broadway.

GRANGE MEETING

Held in Odd Fellows' Building

The regular monthly meeting of Middlesex Pomona Grange was held today in the Odd Fellows' hall in Bridge street, Centralville. The meeting was very largely attended, almost every member of the grange being present. The meeting opened shortly after 10.30 o'clock and the first business was the reading of the minutes of the last meeting by the secretary.

The morning session was an executive one and during the morning many different subjects were discussed by the members. The use of manure in its many forms was discussed while greenhouse construction was also alluded to. One of the principal topics of the morning session was on the discussion of the subject, "Is there any justice in poll tax payers voting on appropriations of money which property owners must pay?" There were many fine views both pro and con given on this subject.

At noon the meeting adjourned and the members of the grange repaired to the banquet hall where a fine dinner was served by the members of Tewksbury grange.

The afternoon session was an open one and there were a great many people other than the members present during the afternoon. The address of welcome was given by Mrs. Coburn of Dracut and the response by Mr. Boutwell of Andover.

Dr. C. E. Hosmer of Billerica gave a fine address on current events, touching on the affairs of the Japanese and the Russians and spoke briefly on the war which is threatened. He also gave a brief description of radium, its uses, etc.

The principal address of the afternoon was delivered by Hon. J. L. Ellsworth, secretary of the state board of agriculture, and that gentleman spoke on the work of the board, telling briefly what good it has done and will do in the future.

THE NEW COLUMBIA.

A long felt want is at last to be supplied by the managers of the new and up-to-date meat, fish, game and provisions store which they have opened at 118 Central street in the Canal block. The managers have remodelled the store, having put in a beautiful steel ceiling and touched up the sidewalks and floors, and with the addition of the fixtures and other furnishings the store has undergone a great transformation. They have stocked it with a full and complete line of supplies in the meat, game, fish and provisions line. It will be their aim to keep the finest goods on the market, in canned goods, butter, cheese, early vegetables, etc. They will also make a specialty of carrying the brands of canned goods. They already have a variety of 38 kinds to select from and will give a combination of three for 25c. Their aim will be always to keep the best quality of meat to be found in any market at prices as low as the lowest for first-class goods. The location of the store is situated in such a part of the city that it will be handy to all residents of the city which will be greatly appreciated by the public. They will be connected by telephone and all orders received will be delivered promptly. The doors of this market will be opened tomorrow and you are all cordially invited to call and inspect the premises.

COURT CITY OF LOWELL.

Court City of Lowell Foresters at its last meeting transacted some important business amongst which was the appointing of a committee to revise the bylaws, together with a committee to devise ways and means to pay death benefits to the widow of an unfinancial member without violating the bylaws. A committee was appointed consisting of the whole court to meet Sunday, Feb. 7. Three candidates were initiated and five propositions were received. The report of the auditors shows the court to be in a flourishing condition financially and otherwise.

SEAMAN DROWNED

WAS WASHED OVERBOARD DURING A ROUGH TRIP.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—One seaman was washed overboard during the rough and tempestuous voyage of the steamer Blucher which arrived today; another fell and broke his leg and a boy was injured. The steamer encountered a succession of high westerly gales and very rough seas with hurricane squalls of hail and rain.

DROP IN COTTON

Market Caused Brokers Great Nervousness

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The drop in cotton prices was continued today soon after the market opened. At first the tone was fairly steady but before 11 o'clock a selling movement began and the May option sold at 14, a decline of 120 points or a cent and one-fifth per pound since yesterday. The selling was so heavy that the market seemed to be completely demoralized. July sold shortly after 11 o'clock at 14.35, a decline of more than a cent a pound since yesterday.

There was a sudden recovery after the selling panic had lasted about half an hour and May ran up fifty points. The rally did not hold, however, and May fell back thirty points again to 14.20.

During the decline rumors of all kinds were circulated and the nervousness and apprehension of brokers increased as it became more and more evident that the day was likely to prove a severe one. Commission houses holding large lines of cotton which were either not sold on the advance or were bought on the break yesterday on the theory of reaction, threw thousands of bales on the market for whatever price they would bring and as the first hour wore on buyers appeared less and less anxious to assist sellers out of their predicament.

At the opening many thousand bales of both May and June cotton were bought by the bull pool and this succeeded for a time in stemming the decline. By taking large quantities of cotton the pool brokers succeeded in holding the market and with other brokers covering short cotton prices advanced about half a cent in 15 minutes. Then another wave of liquidation swept over the pit and it soon became evident that the power of one individual or a set of individuals was not great enough to prevent a crash. The buying was no more than a drop in the bucket and prices crumbled away about as rapidly as was the case yesterday.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 5—Cotton market today was a scene of excitement from the opening to the closing. A large amount of business was transacted. Prices were irregular and at 12.15 p.m. showed a loss of 25 to 50 points. Afterwards the market steadied a little, May and June advancing to 7.90, but immediately dropped to 7.65. Then a slump set in, aided by a preponderance of selling orders and the weakness in New York. The market presented a scene of the wildest excitement, with prices continually dropping until the close, which showed a net loss of 42 to 74 points from yesterday.

HE WILL RECOVER

Such is Belief of Senator Hanna's Family

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5—Those in consultation over the case of Senator Hanna today were Dr. Rixey, who has been his regular attending physician here, Dr. G. Lloyd Magruder and Dr. Behrend. The president arrived during the consultation. He talked earnestly about the case with Elmer Dover, secretary to Mr. Hanna, for 10 minutes and expressed his warm sympathy. Then he walked back to the White House. The senator is being closely guarded from visitors and no one except his regular household is permitted to see him. His sole diet is milk and no stimulants are being used at present. He rested fairly comfortably during the night. Mrs. Hanna insists on personally attending the patient much of the time, but another trained nurse began duty today.

The physicians say that the outlook is hopeful for recovery and that the crucial point in the illness should be passed in about a week. They say that the case is what is known as irregular typhoid, and is less serious than most cases of that illness. It is somewhat like walking typhoid, which accounts for the recent fluctuations in the fever and general conditions of the patient. The family, it is said, instead of being alarmed at the diagnosis of typhoid, were relieved at the announcement, being fearful of the uncertainty. They realize the seriousness of the situation, but feel that there might have been other developments that would have proven of much more gravity. The physicians are now making a test of the condition of the kidneys.

It is realized that the senator's advanced age and his rheumatic conditions make that case a more serious one than in a younger man, but the belief is expressed by his family that he will recover though he will be confined to his bed for a considerable period. The present plan is to take him to Thomasville, Ga., as soon as he is able to be moved.

Y. W. C. A. CONVENTION.

HOLYOKE, Mass., Feb. 5—About 150 delegates were at the Second Congregational church here today when Mrs. O. H. Durrell of Cambridge opened the annual state convention of the Young Women's Christian association. After the appointment of the usual committees Rev. Dr. E. A. Reed, pastor of the church, delivered a short address on "The Power of the Spirit." Mrs. Thomas B. Gladding of Montclair, N. J., spoke upon "The Purpose of an Association Gathering." The closing address of the day session was given by Rev. Rockwell H. Potter of Hartford, Conn. An informal reception and banquet followed.

ICE PLANT DESTROYED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The plant of the Hygienic Ice Co., in Jamaica, L. I., was destroyed by fire today, the loss being estimated at $50,000. The plant was composed mainly of wooden buildings and covered almost an entire block. The firemen, several of whom were injured, were hampered by frozen hydrants.

IS 101 YEARS OLD.

RUMFORD, R. I., Feb. 5.—The oldest woman in Rhode Island, Mrs. Elizabeth Walker, was 101 years old today. Mrs. Walker was born at Baily-Gaily, county Tyrone, Ireland. Her general health continues good.

ABEEL LEAVES BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 5.—James N. Abeel, indicted in New York yesterday for forgery in the third degree, left for New York today on the southwest limited train of the New York Central in charge of a detective.

WELL KNOWN CHARACTER DEAD.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5—Tobias Broderick, trainer and driver of trotting horses, show man, clambake promoter and politician, is dead at Ottawa, Ill., after a week's illness. He was 43 years old. Broderick was a well-known character in Chicago for 20 years and numbered among his friends the leading politicians of both parties. He planned the first race meeting on a snow course in Chicago.

Broderick was born in Cambridge, Mass. Before coming to Chicago he was one of the best known drivers of trotting horses on the grand circuit. In 1892 he was a member of a wild west show and traveled around the world.

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The new table delicacy that coaxes a new appetite and makes you eat.
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The records show that for the last five years our agency has paid in losses more than twice as much as all the other local agencies combined.
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Cleveland's Baking Powder
It admits of no failures,—no soggy cake,—no biscuit to be thrown away; but digestible and nourishing food at every baking,—food that causes a look of satisfaction to go all around the table.

WAR HAS BEEN DECLARED
and Teas and Coffees have advanced. We hold the fort on Teas, Coffees and Trading Stamps by the barrel until further notice.
Four Kinds, Four Colors—Red, White and Blue, Green, Dark Blue and National
$11.00 WORTH, OR 110 STAMPS, WITH 1 LB. BEST BAKING POWDER AT 50c.
$10.00 WORTH, OR 100 STAMPS, WITH 1 LB. "GOLDEN EGG" TEA AT 50c.
$5.00 WORTH, OR 50 STAMPS, WITH 1 LB. JAVA AND MOCHA COFFEE AT 35c

COMBINATION NO. 1.
1 lb. best Baking Powder ..... .50
1 lb. "Golden Egg" Tea ..... .60
1 lb. Best Java and Mocha Coffee .35
Total $1.45
300 Stamps, or $30 worth, with this sale.

COMBINATION NO. 2.
1 lb. Baking Powder ..... .50
1 lb. "Golden Egg" Tea ..... .50
5 lbs. Oakdale Best Standard Butterine ..... .80
3 Jelly ..... .30
3 Preserves ..... .30
Total $2.40
300 Stamps, or $30 worth, with this sale.

COMBINATION NO. 3.
1 can Tomatoes ..... .12
1 can Pears ..... .12
1 bar Soap ..... .05
1 package Presto ..... .10
1 package Parlor Matches ..... .10
1 lb. "Garden Egg" Tea ..... .50
1 lb. Best Java and Mocha Coffee .35
Total $1.34
200 Stamps, or $20 worth, with this sale.

COMBINATION NO. 4.
1 lb. Baking Powder ..... .50
1 lb. Best Java and Mocha Coffee .35
1 bag Best Flour ..... .75
Total $1.60
200 Stamps, or $20 worth, with this sale.

COMBINATION NO. 5.
1 lb. Baking Powder ..... .50
3 packages Presto ..... .30
1 package Parlor Matches ..... .10
1 lb. Sal. Soda ..... .05
1 lb. Mustard ..... .10
Total $1.05
120 Stamps, or $12 worth, with this sale.

COMBINATION NO. 6.
1 lb. Baking Powder ..... .50
1 lb. Sal. Soda ..... .05
1 large bottle Horse Radish ..... .10
1 Jelly ..... .10
2 cakes Sand Soap ..... .10
1 can Tomatoes ..... .12
1 bottle Ammonia ..... .10
Total $1.07
120 Stamps, or $12 worth, with this sale.

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ROAST PORK ..... 10c LB. AND DOUBLE STAMPS
1 CAN BEST TOMATOES ..... 12c AND $1.00 WORTH OF STAMPS
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FROM YESTERDAY'S LATE EDITIONS

FAMILY IN WANT

Louis Caron Among the Missing

HE LEFT HOME THREE WEEKS AGO

His Wife and Family are in Need

Louis Caron, whose home is at 34 Winter street, left home about three weeks ago and his wife and five children, the oldest 14 years and the youngest 6 months, are anxiously awaiting his return.

The family is in destitute circumstances and any contributions in the line of food, fuel or clothing will be gratefully received. Mrs. Caron is an honest hard working woman and deserving of any charity that the generously disposed may see fit to offer. The only fuel in the house is what is left of the wood that the children gathered during the vacation weeks in the summer.

MORE DESTITUTION.

Agent Richardson called at a dingy tenement in Queen street this forenoon in search of a woman whose destitute condition had been reported. The woman was not at home and in a tenement in the same block he found her hugging a stove and bemoaning her sad fate. She said that her husband works in Billerica and that he has not been contributing very liberally to her support. She said that he visits her once in a while and that he generally comes empty handed. Mr. Richardson looked the tenement over and found that the woman was without food and practically without fuel. All she had in the shape of wood was a little box that she had picked up in the street and she said she was saving that to light a fire and warm the house before going to bed.

A great many appeals for assistance are made to the society which Mr. Richardson represents that do not reach the newspapers and those who can assist the poor and needy should not wait to learn of the distress of poor families through the newspapers but should communicate with the agent of the society. His office is at 71 Central street and his telephone number is 665-2.

"JOLLY GIRLS"

CONDUCT PLEASANT SLEIGH-RIDE PARTY.

An enjoyable sleighride party was conducted to Willow Dale last evening by the "Jolly Girls," an organization of popular young ladies in the vicinity of Davis square. The start was made from Davis square about 8 o'clock, the party numbering about 40 people.

They arrived at their destination soon after 9 o'clock and immediately the orchestra struck up music for a waltz in which all joined. A bountiful supper was served during the evening following which an entertainment of unusual merit was given. Among those who took part in the entertainment were Misses Eva Curtin, May Draper, Grace Draper, James A. Craig, Sam Harnden, the latter proving an adept at making stump speeches. The party broke up about 2 o'clock, arriving in this city on the stroke of 4.30 this morning.

QUOTES THE LAW

Dennis E. Connors Warns Accounts Committee

Charges Councilman Welch With Doing Business With City and Asks Them Not to Approve Certain Bills—Several Bills Held Up Pending Advice of the City Solicitor

The committee on accounts met in the city auditor's office at City hall this morning and began the long job of approving the monthly bills.

One of the first bills inspected was that of the Courier-Citizen company for printing and approval was temporarily withheld pending a consultation with the city solicitor. The matter of members of the city council and other city officials being interested in city business having been given considerable public attention within the past few days, the committee thought it best to proceed cautiously in the matter and will hold up any bills presented by firms or companies known to have members in the city service pending a consultation with the city solicitor. In the case of the Courier-Citizen company, Police Commissioner Rice is said to be a stockholder in this company.

The committee also held up a bill of C. F. Morse, partner of ex-Alderman Lucius A. Derby, the bill being dated last December, when Mr. Derby was a member of the board of aldermen.

The committee intends to withhold approval from all such bills until instructed by the solicitor.

Each member received the following letter in regard to the matter from Dennis A. Connors of this city:

CONNORS MAKES CHARGES.

69 Forest Street, Lowell, Mass., January 28, 1904.

My Dear Sir:—In a spirit of friendliness to you personally I call your attention to section 6 of chapter 16 of the city o-dinances. I also quote from chapter 210 of the revised laws the material parts of section 9 as follows: "A member of either branch of a city council or of a municipal board of a city who is personally interested, directly or indirectly, in a contract made by the city council or by either branch thereof, or by such board or by authority derived therefrom in which the city is an interested party; or a person who alone or with others represents a city in making a contract who is interested; or such member or person who directly or indirectly for himself or for another, receives a commission, discount, bonus, present, or reward from any person or persons making or performing such contract" is subject to fine and imprisonment.

I also quote the material parts of section 8, as follow: "An officer or agent of, or a person employed by, the commonwealth, or by a county, city, town or by any public institution . . . who being authorized to procure materials, either by purchase or contract, or to employ service, or labor, receives directly, or indirectly, for himself, or for another, a commission, discount, bonus, present, or reward from the person who makes such a contract, furnishes such materials, supplies or other articles, or from a person who renders service or labor under such contract, or a person who gives or offers such commission, discount, bonus, present or reward, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than five hundred dollars, or by fine and imprisonment for not more than one year.

I also call your attention to section 101 of chapter 25, section 2 of chapter 25, and section 36 of chapter 21 of the revised laws which provides for a prompt and thorough investigation by the superior court, on petition of 25 owners of real estate in each ward, of money illegally or corruptly expended. It is unnecessary to state to you that money paid on contracts in violation of these sections is illegally and corruptly paid, and all concerned in approving, paying and receiving it are liable to be made pay it back as well as liable criminally for aiding and abetting in the violation of this criminal statute. The contracts are utterly void—the language of the statute is so clear that it does not need any court to construe it.

The petitions referred to in section 101 are now ready for signatures and I do not want the resultant investigation to injure you or any other person I consider my friend.

The letter then makes specific charges against Patrick F. Welch as a member of the firm of Welch & Danahy. As The Sun is not prepared to prove the truth of the charges they are here omitted. The letter concludes by requesting the committee to refuse to pay any bills in which Councilman Welsh may be interested. The letter is signed by Dennis E. Connors, 69 Forest street.

Mr. Connors is a member of the well-known firm of Connors Brothers, contractors and builders, and a brother of Edward F. Connors, candidate for superintendent of streets.

The committee was still in session at the time of going to press.

BOY DESERTED

Parents Left Him Without Food or Fuel

Harry Sheppard, 13, called on Agent Richardson of the Humane society last evening and told a tale of woe in which the complainant played the part of the deserted child. Agent Richardson investigated the boy's story today and found it to be true in every detail.

The boy said that his mother and stepfather, one Harry Stirk, left Lowell a week ago Monday bound for Barre Plains. They left him, he said, without food or fuel in the house. His mother told him to call at a place where she had worked and collect 67 cents that was due her. The boy said he called and found that 17 cents was all that was due his mother. He managed to pull through for a few days but was finally obliged to call on a neighbor, a Mr. Blight, and ask for assistance. Mr. Blight fed the boy for a few days expecting that his mother would write to him. She didn't write and the lad was finally obliged to go to Agent Richardson's office in search of assistance.

Mr. Richardson went to Perry's court where the boy said he lived and he learned from the neighbors there that the boy had told the truth. Mr. Richardson found the house in good order but the cupboards were bare and there was no fuel in the house. The boy was taken to the Day Nursery where he will be cared for until his parents are located, and if they are not in a position to care for him he will be turned over to the state authorities.

MATRIMONIAL

Thomas Boyle and Miss Ethel Furbush were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at the parochial residence of St. Patrick's church, Rev. John J. McHugh officiating. The bridemaid was Miss Elizabeth Boyle, a sister of the groom, and the best man was Thomas Boyle, a cousin of the groom. After the ceremony the happy couple repaired to the home of the bride, 263 Branch street, where a reception was held.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Master Eddie Cuff celebrated his 10th birthday yesterday at the home of his parents and during the day he entertained a large number of his little friends. He was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

RURAL DETECTIVE

Chased a Plank Thief to Lowell

AND ALLOWED HIM TO GET AWAY

He Asked No Odds of the Police

"It is a sin to steal a pin,
Much more to steal a greater thing."

A man who has lost several thousand superficial feet of spruce and pine planks from his wood lot in Hudson, N. H., is wondering if the fellow who hauled it away ever heard that it is a sin even to steal a pin.

The man in Hudson has asked the Lowell police to assist him in locating the man who had the effrontery to steal his planks. The police refuse to give any names, but they do admit that they have been requested by a man in Hudson to assist him in finding the plank thief.

Up in Hudson the most of the good people are so free from suspicion that they rarely lock a barn door and sometimes their latch strings are out all night, so that it never occurred to the man with the planks that anybody would have the audacity to drive into his lumber lot and steal his newly sawed lumber.

He has found, however, and much to his sorrow, that his great trust in mankind in general was in part misplaced. He visited the lot two or three times and it seemed to him as if the pile of planks was growing smaller, but he laid it all to imagination. Finally his good wife visited the lot and she, too, noticed that the pile had diminished. The man with honest trust then marked the top row of planks and the next day when he visited the lot he found they were gone. He went back to the house, looked in the mirror and called himself a "chump," and his wife said "Amen."

He told a very near and dear neighbor of his loss and yesterday that very same neighbor met a man in the vicinity of Hudson seated on a load of planks and peacefully smoking a very black pipe. The man with the planks was aimed at Lowell and the good neighbor decided to follow him.

The fellow with the planks seemed to realize, after a time, that he was being followed, but not until he had made the good neighbor a bit wise as to where he really wanted to go. The neighbor was sure that the man with the planks did not want to come to Lowell, but the latter continued on his way and finally arrived in this city. Several police officers were passed, but the good neighbor said nary a word. He was playing the part of the rural detective and he calculated that he would have all the honor of the capture to himself. The man with the planks, evidently realizing that his pursuer "was on," decided to take a chance, and when he reached a convenient point in Pawtucket street he dumped the load and drove away. The rural detective watched him, but didn't mention it to the police, although there was an officer in the vicinity when the man was unloading the plank.

The good neighbor took a couple of reefs in his whiskers and started back for Hudson feeling that he had executed a little bit of detective work that would fit him for Scotland yard.

He rushed his horse into Hudson faster than that animal was ever made to go before. The man at the post office looked on in amazement and wondered what in the dickens was the matter with the man.

Straightway did the good neighbor drive to the home of the man who owned the plank and taking a few extra whiffs of fresh air, said: "I found the fellow that stole your plank."

"Put it there, old man," said the plank man. "Who is it?"

"I don't know."

"Where is he?"

"I don't know that either."

"Well, what do you mean by saying you found him?"

The good neighbor then told his story and it is whispered that the man who lost the planks said something under his breath that begins with d——.

Both men, the plank man and his good neighbor, came to Lowell to day and stated their case to the police.

Supt. Moffatt tried to hire the rural detective to do special work, looking for pickpockets and one thing or another, but the man from Hudson said he was getting along first rate "to hum."

FIREMEN HURT

BIG BLAZE BROKE OUT IN CLEVELAND.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 5.—Three firemen were injured and a whole company cut off by flames and nearly suffocated by gas and smoke at a fire in the Severence building today. The firemen were cut off from the exits by an explosion of gas and were rescued through a basement window. After the fire had been extinguished there was a collision between a ladder truck and a street car, as a result of which two firemen were seriously cut and bruised.

The building and contents were damaged to the extent of about $25,000.

BAD BLOOD

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DEFENDED BRYAN

Senator's Praise of Great Democrat

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—In his prayer at the opening of the senate today, the chaplain, Rev. Edward Everett Hale, made reference to the illness of Senator Hanna, saying:

"Father, we ask for those who are in great sorrow; we ask for those who are on the bed of sickness; we ask for those who minister to them—that thou will give them life, light and love."

Mr. Mitchell, from the committee on post offices, made a favorable report on the resolution directing the postmaster general to send to the senate the reports made on irregularities in the post office department and requested immediate consideration. The resolution was adopted without debate. It calls for reports upon the investigation by Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, together with the reports of Messrs. Holmes Conrad and Charles J. Bonaparte, special counsel for the government on the charges made by S. W. Tulloch, formerly cashier of the Washington city post office. A bill was passed donating gun carriages to the state of Connecticut for use at Fort Griswold.

The urgent deficiency appropriation bill was laid before the senate, the provision of r the St. Louis exposition loan being the immediate question under consideration and Mr. Patterson (Col). took up the political phase of the question, making especial reply to Mr. Foraker. He said that having noted the want of prosperity on the part of the trusts and syndicates, the Ohio senator had introduced a bill, which if it should become law, would supply that deficiency. Mr. Patterson contended that prosperity was not so much dependent on tariff laws or the balance of trade as most people believe. On the contrary, he found that good times depended more on the volume of currency than on other causes and he traced the prosperity of the decade from 1880 to 1890 to the active coinage ofsilver in that period. This epoch, covered Mr. Cleveland's first term but Mr. Patterson declared that when democrats confended that his second term covered a prosperous period they did violence to the facts of history. The panic of 1893 had been the result of the crusade against the greater circulation of silver both in the United States and elsewhere. He declared that Mr. Cleveland's last term was not a democratic administration, in fact, but that it presented the spectacle of a democratic president putting republican policies into execution.

Mr. Patterson declared the successful fight on silver to have been the forerunner of the Coxey army and the other phenomena that followed the panic of 1893.

Mr. Aldrich said that he judged Mr. Patterson would not look with great favor upon another term of Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Patterson replied that he "certainly would not, in view of the fact that Mr. Cleveland had been false both to his party and his country." He added that Mr. Aldrich and his party associates should be under lasting obligations to Mr. Cleveland but that democrats could not be expected to share that feeling. Speaking of the present era, Mr. Patterson declared that it had brought prosperity to the rich but not to the poor, resulting in the creation not only of millionaires but of billionaires at the expense of others. He spoke in strong terms of admiration of President Roosevelt's action in connection with the anthracite coal strike and in his suits against the railroad mergers, but declared that in the prosecution of trusts the president's action had been far short of promises, inasmuch as only two or three actions had been begun.

He compared the offenses of Whittaker Wright to the conduct of J. P. Morgan and Mr. Schwab and then entered into the details of Wright's trial by a British court and his subsequent suicide, adding that "there would not be many tears shed if some of the great financial lights who find their habitat in the United States should seek the same ending and from the same cause."

Recurring to the silver issue, Mr. Patterson said that even the people of Colorado realized that the issue of 16 to 1 had been decided against them, but it did not, he said, follow that they would throw themselves into the arms of the trusts. He referred to Mr. Bryan saying:

"I am glad that there is one man in the party with power and influence enough to make himself felt who enters his protest against surrendering the party to those who go from one end of the political teeter to the other as their interests may seem to require. Mr. Patterson reasserted his conviction that the nomination of Mr. Bryan by the Chicago convention of 1896 had insured a far larger vote than another candidate on another platform would have secured. He then announced his intention not to press for a further recognition of free coinage by the democratic party, saying that "the party is worse than insane which continues to advocate a policy which the country has declared against." Such a course would destroy the usefulness of any other party.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The house upon convening today went into committee of the whole with Mr. Powers (Maine), in the chair and began the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill.

Four hours general debate on the bill was agreed upon. Mr. Wadsworth (N. Y.) chairman on agriculture, explained the bill.

Mr. Sheppard (Tex.) criticized the present system of the distribution of seeds and gave notice that he would propose an amendment providing for the distribution of new and untried seeds instead of standard seeds that can be purchased in the open market. He read a letter from a constituent who asked him to send certain seeds and in addition a suit of clothes, remarking that the writer had as much right to expect a suit of clothes as he did seeds such as now sent out.

He declared that the system was degenerating into a farce and said that if the congressional comedy continues and drifts into a continuous performance, congressmen will no longer be statesmen but seedsmen.

Mr. Bell (Col.) taking up the paragraph in the bill providing for pomological investigations, announced that he would propose an amendment providing for an increased appropriation for this work and made a strong appeal for aid for the vineyards of California and the Pacific coast.

VERDICT OF $35,000.

LYONS, N. Y., Feb. 5—John E. Pitts of Corry, Pa., a mail clerk, who was severely injured in a wreck of a fast mail train of the New York Central at Clyde in 1902, received a verdict against the company for $35,000 here today. He sued for $75,000.

STORY OF MAID

SECURED FREEDOM FOR A HUSBAND.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—A jury in Justice Levintritt's part of the supreme court yesterday dissolved the marriage bonds of William G. McGrath and his wife after listening to some spicy testimony concerning Mrs. McGrath's conduct with Antonio Fasaro, the "other man" in the case. Mr. McGrath, who is a young lawyer, was the plaintiff.

His attire in court was as scrupulously correct as if he were at an afternoon reception. Mrs. McGrath, too, had paid full attention to the details of the toilet—a big picture hat, a tailor-made gown, adorned with a broad ecru collar, completing her costume. Antonio Fasano, who was in court, looked not unlike the husband.

The McGraths were married in June, 1898, at St. Alphonsus church in West Broadway, and for a time were happy, the husband alleges. Then the "other man" appeared and the trouble began. The wife told a different story.

"We were happy," said Mrs. McGrath, "until my husband introduced into the household as a maid a friend of his who was a sister to one of his former sweethearts. He insisted on retaining the girl in the house and soon he showed her more affection than me. I bore it all until July, 1903. Then my husband ordered me from the house and I went to live with my mother."

Catherine Welling, formerly Catherine Hoffman, the girl who figured in the testimony, told of clandestine meetings between Mrs. McGrath and Fasano, with herself and another man as willing chaperons.

Fasano, when he took the stand, denied that he had ever been at the Morris Park race track with Mrs. McGrath; denied that he had ever been at the Boulevard hotel, or had ever been other than a friend to her.

The wife's lawyer then denounced the husband dramatically for trying to get rid of Mrs. McGrath by the production of false evidence.

The jury, after being out a half-hour, returned a verdict for the plaintiff.

Mrs. McGrath, who was in the court room when the jury came in, was unable to hear the decision of the jury when read by the clerk, and as she went out into the corridor she inquired of one of the spectators:

"Did I win?"

When informed that she had lost, tears came into her eyes. She and her mother then left the court house together.

CROWN PRINCE

WAS THROWN FROM HIS HORSE TODAY.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The crown prince Frederick William was thrown from his horse while riding at the head of his company of guards at Potsdam today. The horse shied and then fell with his rider, creating considerable alarm. The crown prince was assisted to his feet by his brother officers and soon was able to remount and resume his place at the head of the company.

CROKER WINS OUT

Is Chief of the Fire Department

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The appellate division of the supreme court today handed down a decision ordering the reinstatement of Edward F. Croker as chief of the fire department. Mr. Croker was removed from office early in the Low administration. He is a nephew of Richard Croker. Former Chief Purroy, who succeeded Mr. Croker, retired in December.

MINKS' DAUGHTER

TELLS HOW HER FATHER WAS SLAIN.

WOODBURY, N. J., Feb. 5—John Payne, charged with the murder of William Minks last summer, testified yesterday. His story was given in such a straightforward way that it greatly impressed the jury.

"What did you go to the house for the night Minks was shot?" asked his lawyer.

"Because Lizzie Minks, who was my promised wife, had proven false and I wished the assistance of her father in getting the girl to do better."

He then said he had had his first quarrel with the girl the day before the shooting. He said she slapped him in the face and hurried him down street.

"Why did you borrow the revolver from Policeman Sparks?"

"Because Lizzie told me we never would be married, and when I called it was to see if this was her final decision. If so, I expected to go to Virginia and never return and wanted the revolver for protection."

Payne then broke down and cried "I never expected to kill him." Then he testified that Minks turned around and grabbed for the revolver. The defendant said that he did not fire the first shot until Minks struck him while he was lying on the ground.

Lizzie Minks, the defendant's sweetheart, said Payne threatened to kill her father several weeks before the quarrel.

"Did Payne ever strike you?"

"Yes, several times, but it was always when he was in a fit of temper. At other times he was always very kind to me."

Miss Minks then described how her father had been shot while he was attempting to hit Payne, who was on the ground. She told about her wild life and how she went to hotels to drink wine with men.

Both sides have closed. It is believed here that Payne will be acquitted.

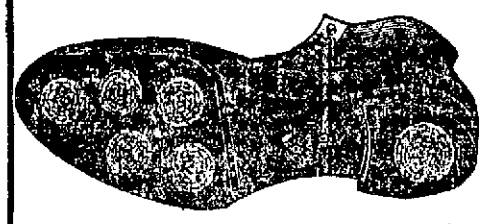
GOVERNMENT HAD 86 MAJORITY.

LONDON, Feb. 5—In the ultimate division in the house of commons today on Mr. Robson's amendment to the address the government had a majority of 86, the vote being 192 for and 278 against the amendment.

FLAGS AT HALF MAST.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 5—In respect to the memory of the late William C. Whitney the flags at the naval academy were ordered to be displayed at half mast today from sunrise to sunset.

Shod for Winter



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10 on 1 package of 14c. Force.
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10 on 1 lb. 29c. Coffee.
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5 on 1 package of 10c. Presto.

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GOVERNOR BATES

Declines to Suspend Warden Bridges

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—The charges of cruelty and persecution against Warren B. F. Bridges, of the state prison, which were filed at the state house yesterday by a New York lawyer, acting for Harry J. Bebro, of New York, were placed before Gov. Bates today. Bebro was released from the state prison in November, 1902, upon completing a five years' sentence for larceny. On account of mental trouble, it is said, he passed part of the time in the insane department at Bridgewater.

The specific charges are that Bebro was subjected to solitary confinement, that he was denied the privilege of consulting counsel and that his petition for habeas corpus proceedings not only was disregarded but thrown away.

Counsel for Bebro asked today that Warden Bridges and several deputies be suspended pending an investigation of the charges. Gov. Bates took the documents, which included exhaustive typewritten matter and several affidavits and assured counsel that he would give the matter careful consideration and write to the lawyer of his decision when reached. The governor declined, however, to suspend the warden or deputies as requested.

HAS NOT ASSENTED

COMMONWEALTH TRUST COMPANY HOLDING OFF.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Although it was stated last night that the new plan of reorganization for the United States Shipbuilding Co., put out by the new reorganization committee and the receiver and assented to by Samuel Untermeyer on behalf of the bondholders protective committee, thus settling the main litigation between these parties, would be agreed to by all the large interests, there was no sign today that the Commonwealth Trust Co., as successor to the Trust company of the republic, will take a position in accord with it. It was authoritatively stated that no such position had been assumed so far at least, and it is pointed out that the Commonwealth company, as successor to the company financing the shipbuilding company, might, in assenting to a plan by which the shipbuilding stock is to be wiped out, make itself the butt of attack by stockholders bringing suit for the recovery of money invested in stock unless it should join forces with such litigants and endeavor to place responsibility elsewhere.

It was stated sometime ago that the directors of the Commonwealth Trust company had decided upon bringing actions in the courts for the purpose of vindicating their honor in the shipbuilding transactions and this policy has not been lost sight of. While the Commonwealth Trust company directors might agree to the new plan, it was stated today, with profit to themselves personally, they could not, while stockholders in the company are to be losers by the provisions of the new plan which wiped out all the old stock, join with the promoters of the new plan without forgetting the first reason for bringing their actions.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a. m.—Opening prices in stocks today were slightly lower under pressure of very light selling orders. United States Steel pfd., and Amalgamated Copper were inclined to harden in face of the general tendency.

11 a. m.—Price fluctuations were narrow and uncertain, hardening, yielding and covering again during the first hour. Chicago & Alton rose 1½ and the preferred 1⅞. Amalgamated Copper and Sugar made large fractional gains. Losses of a point were shown by Rock Island pfd., and Tenn. Coal, 1½ by Pacific Coast and 1⅞ by the second pfd.

Noon—Stocks were much neglected, but were inclined to sag with the renewed demoralization in the cotton and coffee markets. The leading active stocks moved only within fractional limits, but Kanawha and Michigan fell 2, Virginia-Carolina Chemical 1⅝ and Pacific Mail 1½. Chicago Terminal pfd. rose 1. Bonds were irregular.

1 p. m.—Manhattan, Brooklyn Transit, Wabash pfd., St. Louis Southwestern pfd., and Erie second pfd., lost 1 to 1⅝ by the continuance of the decline. Long Island fell 2, Delaware & Hudson 2¼, Reading second pfd., 3¼ and Rutland pfd., 3. Sloss Sheffield Steel advanced 1¾.

2 p. m.—The weakness became more pronounced and dealings rather more active, causing losses of a point or more in the leading Pacific, grangers, southwesterns, trunk lines and coalers. Amalgamated Copper, Sugar, Southern Railway, pfd., Louisville & Nashville, Paper, Smelting and Consolidated Gas, were also in the list of 1 point losses. Denver & Rio Grande pfd. fell 1⅝, Wabash pfd. 2½, Brooklyn Transit 2⅝, Lackawanna 4, and Delaware & Hudson 4½.

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PRESSMEN QUIT

The Strike in Boston is Extending

BOSTON, Feb 5—Twenty book and job pressmen employed at the printing plant of the Griffith-Stillings company stopped work today in sympathy with the striking compositors and the threat of the union to extend the strike movement to the press workers became effective. The Griffith company has employed many non-union compositors. When the union pressmen were handed non-union forms this forenoon they quit work at once. Later a committee from the union was in conference with the firm. At the same time the Boston typothetae was in session at its headquarters.

Secretary Simonds of the typothetae said after the meeting that reports to their association indicate that of the 42 large offices in Boston today 24 have no compositors out, 13 some striking and some at work and four no compositors at work. The total compositors working is 767 and the number out 237. This report includes the J. S. Cushing firm at Norwood, where 209 men are at work. This report shows an increase of 35 compositors at work.

Business Agent D. J. McDonald of the allied printing trades council said today that the pressmen at the Griffith-Stillings company plant practically were locked out because the employers insisted that the pressmen should handle non-union forms or quit work.

STRIKER BLAMED

For Attack on Receiving Clerk

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The first case of violence in the strike of the freight handlers on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, on piers 45 and 50, in the East river, occurred today, although it was not of an alarming nature and was quickly suppressed. Walker Weslake, acting as a receiving clerk on the pier, was knocked down, it is alleged, by a striking freight handler, but was not badly hurt. His assailant was arrested. The trouble was precipitated by the attempt of the company to open up pier 45 and to place at work about seventy Italians.

GENERAL BLACK

IS SUFFERING WITH PARTIAL COLLAPSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—General John C. Black, chairman of the United States civil service commission, and commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., is seriously ill here. He is suffering with partial collapse. Dr. G. A. Harman of Lancaster, Ohio, surgeon-general of the G. A. R., who is attending him, says he will be compelled to cancel his engagements for the next few weeks. General Black attended the annual banquet of the department of the Potomac G. A. R. Wednesday and overtaxed his strength.

CHILD SLAVES

GIRL TRAPS THEIR CHILD EMPLOYER.

TRENTON, Feb. 5.—Startling disclosures, it is said, will follow the investigation of factories in the northern part of New Jersey by Miss Mary F. Van Leer, deputy factory inspector. Miss Van Leer is a young woman who was formerly a missionary in Africa. In order to get at the facts in connection with violations of the child labor law she worked in the factories as an unskilled laborer.

It was only within the last three or four days that the manufacturers learned of Miss Van Leer's secret investigation of their methods. They are highly wrought up over it. The trials promise to be sensational.

LORENZ DENIES

THAT HE KNEW MACHEN COULD HELP HIM.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5—The cross-examination of George E. Lorenz, one of the defendants in the postal trial, was continued today. The government tried to pin the witness down to an admission that shortly following his visit to the Groffs in 1895 when he purchased an interest in the fastener, he sought the influence of Machen in the matter of introducing the device throughout the country. He emphatically denied that he knew that Machen was in a position to influence the purchase of supplies. Mr. Lorenz said he was entitled to his share of the profits from the Groffs because he had invested $500 for an interest. He took his chances, he said, of getting profitable returns, as did D. O. Groff, who had acquired an interest for only $100. The fact that he had received $70,000 out of the fasteners he attributed to good luck.

CUSTOMS DUTIES INCREASED.

HAVANA, Feb. 5.—President Palma's decree in increasing the rates of customs duties in accordance with the authority given him by congress was promulgated today and takes effect Monday.

BOWLING CONGRESS.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 5—Arrangements for holding the business sessions of the American bowling congress at the annual convention and tournament next week have been completed. The first session of the congress will begin Feb. 8. The national tournament will open Monday night.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY BETTER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Admiral Schley who has been suffering with a slight attack of the grip was reported better today. He was able to leave his room.

FORE RIVER CO. SUED.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—The Pacific Surety company, of California has begun suit in the supreme judicial court of Massachusetts against the Fore River Ship and Engine company of Quincy. Francis T. Bowles, former chief instructor of the United States navy but now president of the Fore River company, and Henry G. Smith, to have returned to them certain bonds which they issued to the Fore River company. These bonds were given the petitioner says, to secure the payment of salaries for five years of $25,000 and $10,000 a year to Mr. Bowles and Mr. Smith respectively, by the Quincy corporation. The petitioner alleges that they were led to furnish the bonds on the strength of an incorrect statement made by the Fore River company as to its assets.

DOWD HEARING

Will be Held in Boston Next Wednesday

James Dowd, one of the two men convicted of assault on John B. Cover of this city, has asked for a pardon and the petition will be heard by the governor and his council next Wednesday. Notification of the hearing was contained in the following letter received by Mr. Cover today:

Executive Dept., Council Chamber, Boston, Feb. 4, 1904.

To J. B. Cover, Esq., Lowell.:

You are hereby notified that the committee on pardons of the executive council will give a hearing upon the petition for the pardon of James Dowd at the council chamber in the state house on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 9.30 o'clock.

You are requested to appear before the committee at the time and place above mentioned, with such witnesses as you desire to produce.

By order of the pardon committee,

E. F. HAMLIN,
Executive Secretary.

SEAMEN'S UNION

ENTERS PROTEST AGAINST HARBOR POLICE.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—The Atlantic Coast Seamen's union, through a committee, filed a protest today with the Boston police board against the act of harbor police in transporting last night to the schooner Dorothy Palmer a non-union crew of eight negroes, brought from Providence. Sec. W. H. Frazier of the union said that they considered what the harbor police did to be an act of injustice to the seamen if, indeed, not a violation of the regulations governing the harbor police. Judge Emmons, chairman of the police board, assured the committee that he would make an investigation. The alleged injustice was committed when the police boat watchman conveyed the strike breakers to the schooner from a pier to which they had been escorted by the city police from the railroad station.

JOSSLYN GUILTY

CONVICTED ON CHARGE OF BIGAMY.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Asa Josslyn, who when his wife disappeared from Thatchers island, several months ago, announced that she had committed suicide and married again, today was found guilty of bigamy by a jury in the Suffolk county superior court. Josslyn was assistant keeper of the light at Thatchers island.

McADOO'S ORDER

HEAD OF POLICE FORCE AFTER CAPT. COTTRELL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Police Commissioner McAdoo today ordered an investigation of the failure of Police Capt. Cottrell to close the Grand Opera house last night in pursuance of the mayor's orders. The commissioner was not informed that the captain was not enforcing the mayor's order to close the theatre until after the audience had gathered and it was decided that its enforcement at that time might precipitate a panic.

NO ONE INJURED

BIG GUNS BLEW OFF THEIR MUZZLES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The following telegram has been received at the navy department from Capt. Train, president of the board of inspection and survey, dated Fort Monroe, yesterday:

"While the board of inspection was testing the battery this morning on battleship Iowa, both guns in the starboard forward eight inch turret blew off their muzzles. No damage except to guns and one whaleboat. No casualties."

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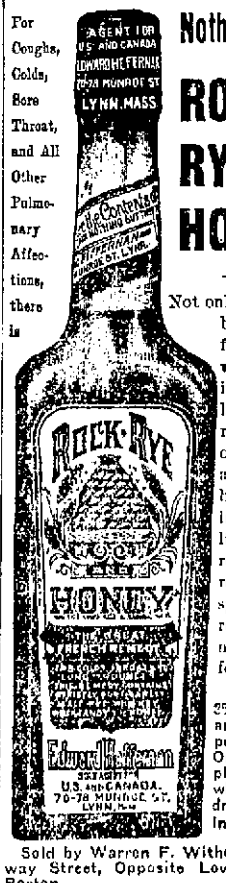

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THE JAPANESE

SAID TO BE BETTER PREPARED FOR WAR THAN RUSSIANS.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—"Yuan-Shi-Kai (the commander of the Chinese imperial army and navy) and the vice president of the war board have memorialized the throne urgently insisting upon an offensive and defensive alliance with Japan to regain Manchuria," cables the Shanghai correspondent of the London Globe this afternoon. "The memorialists" the correspondent adds, "maintain that the Japanese are better prepared for war than the Russians and are more disinterested."

EXPECT WAR

SUCH IS THE FEELING IN WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—In the opinion of a diplomat conversant with the Japanese phase of the far eastern situation, the Tokio government will not wait longer than today for the Russian reply unless, in the meantime a satisfactory intimation is received as to its character. The feeling in Japanese circles seems to be increasing that if the note is delayed longer than today the delay is to be interpreted as merely for the purpose of giving Russia more time in which to prepare herself for the blow, Japan is expected to strike.

The state department announces the receipt of information that Japan has called its subjects from the Yalu districts in Korea into Seoul.

JAPANESE LEGATION

WITHOUT ADVICES FROM THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The Japanese legation today was without advices from the far east. The first news that the Russian reply was despatched last night to Viceroy Alexieff came to the legation from the Associated Press. The legation officials confess they are pessimistic and point out that the whole situation depends on the nature of Russia's reply.

The Russian embassy is understood to have received a notification that the reply had been sent to Viceroy Alexieff. Nothing has been heard of the report, published in the United States by a news agency that sixty Japanese warships are blockading Port Arthur.

AT SENDER'S RISK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5. The significant announcement that telegrams for Japan and Korea can be accepted only at sender's risk, was made today by the Commercial Cable Co., which has received the following despatch from its resident manager in China:

"From today telegrams to Japan and Korea can only be accepted at sender's risk."

VISITED FOREIGN OFFICE.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Both the Russian ambassador and the Japanese minister visited the foreign office this afternoon. The latter stayed half an hour. The Russian ambassador, who only remained ten minutes, subsequently was granted the use of the telegraph of the colonial office.

BANKING HOUSES ALARMED.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The international banking houses, which are in constant communication with their own agents in the far east admit the situation is serious; but they point out that although business is almost paralyzed, while awaiting developments, Russian and Japanese securities are holding their own well, considering the alarmist reports. The fact is that scarcely any business is being transacted on the stock exchange. Not $25,000 was open for the account, where normally there would be $2,500,000.

"If it is true," the London Globe's naval expert says, "that a Japanese fleet is cruising off Wei Hai Wei, it points to its assumption of a position of great strategical importance. From this point its scouts can effectively watch the movements of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur and stand between it and the straits of Korea, while at the same time it would be able to prevent an attempt of the Vladivostock squadron to effect a junction with the main Russian fleet."

RUSSIAN RESPONSE

SAID TO CONTAIN IMPORTANT CONCESSIONS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 5.—As announced in the Associated Press despatches the draft of the Russian response, tentatively approved by the czar, was telegraphed to Viceroy Alexieff last night. The viceroy, being on the ground, will have an opportunity to examine the phraseology and return any objections he may have, before receiving final instructions to deliver the reply. It is expected that Viceroy Alexieff will send the answer to reach Japan on Monday. While the contents of the response are carefully guarded they are known to be in a conciliatory spirit and form, and to contain what are regarded here as important concessions.

A diplomat who probably is in closer touch with the Russian side of the negotiations than any other person, informed the Associated Press that Korea had again become the most difficult matter for adjustment. Russia, he said, could not agree to Japanese fortifications in southern Korea.

"If the Japanese government is sincerely desirous of avoiding war," he added, "it will find in the reply, when it arrives, a basis for an arrangement but if the authorities have made up their minds to remain unyielding the negotiations must end in an impasse. In any event I do not see how Japan can break off the negotiations without replying to the Russian note and setting forth her minimum demands."

The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, in response to an urgent message, went early to the British embassy today, where he was closeted with the ambassador, Sir Claude S. Scott, for over an hour.

Even the Chinese minister, who is seldom seen in the streets, was abroad in a gorgeous sleigh seeking information.

At all the embassies the attaches were busy getting off cipher dispatches to their governments. But the high officials say minister, precautions are being placed on Russian movements in the far east, which represent Russia as already engaged in aggressive tactics. As an illustration they cite a dispatch published in London reporting the alleged mysterious departure of the Russian fleet from Port Arthur. The chief of the naval staff authorized the Associated Press to say that the warships left the harbor to try their engines, so as to be ready to meet the Japanese warships in case of an attack and added that the vessels which had returned to Port Arthur would not re-enter the harbor because the entrance was so narrow that they could be "bottled up."

POSTMASTER NAMED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5—Fourth class postmaster appointed today:

New Hampshire—Bartlett, Edgar A. Stevens

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, State House, Boston, Feb. 3, 1904. The Committee on Labor will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of the governor's address relating to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration; also House bill No. 171, for extension of powers of State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, at room No. 249, State House, on Monday, Feb. 8, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Samuel Ross, Chairman. Thos. Donahue, Clerk of the Committee.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 12, 1903. Trains leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.42, *7.45, *8.50, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.39, x6.45, w6.50, 7.01, *7.24, 7.30, *7.48, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.50, w10.50, 11.05, *11.45 a. m.; w12.05, 12.14, w12.45, 1.41, *1.56, w2.31, x1.03, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.29, w5.00, 5.22, x5.49, w*6.15, *6.22, w7.00, 7.29, w9.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 6.30, 7.24, w8.16, 8.48, 9.20 a. m.; w12.05, w1.05, 4.25, w5.30, 5.58, w8.00 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, x7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.04, w6.16, w7.00, w9.25, w11.25 p. m. Sundays, w8.18 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, x2.30, x3.55, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.16, 7.00, 9.25, w11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.16 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast and Rockland, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland,) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland,) Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season Oct. 30, 1903.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 4.25, 5.54 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m.; (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.39, *10.39, a. m.; *12.00, 1.00, *1.30, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.00, *1.39 (to Franklin only,) 5.40, *8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.,) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.39 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *8.10, 9.24 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *8.10 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.05, *8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air line, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, 11 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.

References:
aVia Wakefield Junction.
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wVia Western Division.
xVia Bedford. zVia Wilmington June.

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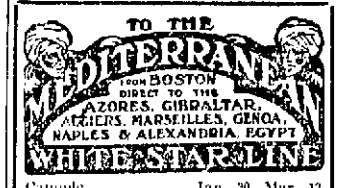

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SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Black seal glove Thursday evening in Huntington hall. Reward for return to 765 Bridge street.

LOST—Thursday noon, Boston terrier, mahogany brindle, screw tail, but ears. Finder will be rewarded at 83 Willow St.

LOST—A brown leather bill book containing a small sum of money. Return to Sun office and receive reward.

LOST—A shepherd dog, nine months old. Finder please return to H. Duckett, 30 Concord street.

LOST—Monday afternoon between Chalifoux's store and Middle street entrance to Middlesex club, a pair of eyeglasses in case. Finder rewarded at Sun office.

LOST—A pocketbook between Mammoth and Merrimack streets. Finder please leave at Sun office.

LOST—Between Moody and Central streets, brown hand bag containing money, keys and other articles. Return to Sun office. Reward.

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TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $9.00. G. P. Walker, 90 Middlesex street.

TO LET—A 6-room tenement with all modern improvements. Apply at 227 School street.

TO LET—Furnished front room in private family, with modern conveniences. Apply 93 Butterfield street.

TO LET—Open street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $4.50; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 81 Central street.

TO LET—Newly furnished rooms, gas and bath. 223 Central street.

TO LET—Clean, pretty tenement of 4 rooms, $1.25 per week. Inquire 22 Jewett street.

TO LET—One 4-room and one 3-room tenement. Inquire at 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 634 Broadway; rent low.

TO LET—Blacksmith shop fully equipped ready for business. Apply at 355 Lincoln street.

TO LET—A desirable house on South Canton street, all modern improvements, steam heat. Inquire at 942 Middlesex St.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was: **15,432**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Hon. Bourke Cockran is likely to be elected to congress in New York without opposition. He will be a great power in the councils of the nation. He is the best orator in the United States today and his voice for or against any public measure will be a potent force. As an orator Cockran has the rare power that sways the multitude and that becomes after a time irresistible. That is more than can be said of any other orator in this country.

THE LAW HAS NO EXCEPTIONS.

We do not see why any law against city officials being directly or indirectly interested in contracts for labor or material for the city should be restricted to plumbing alone. The law makes no exception in regard to printing, electric work, lumber or anything else. Why the exceptions? Let the law be enforced alike against all.

THE GAMBLING IN COTTON.

The gambling by which the price of cotton has been advanced from nine to eighteen cents calls for legal correction. No man can be prevented from entering into a legitimate transaction but it seems that there should be some law to prevent the cornering of public necessities for the sole purpose of increasing the price. It is monopoly pure and simple and until the operation of monopolies is properly restricted we can have no protection against the speculators cornering the market in public necessities.

AS TO LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

The article in another column exposing the bluff under which some papers affecting temperance sympathies have published liquor advertisements, will be found interesting especially to temperance workers. It proves by official declarations of postal authorities that a newspaper can reject such advertisements as a matter of policy or on moral grounds. The article is well worth reading as showing the subterfuges by which some papers occasionally work both sides of a public question.

THAT POLICE BOARD BILL.

Representative O'Brien has brought forward an important question in the legislature in the bill providing for the election of the police board by the people.

We have on a former occasion shown how necessary it is to separate the license-granting power from the police power.

The board that grants the licenses should not have the control of the police. The license granting board might best be elected by the people, but the police board divested of the license granting power should not be elected by the people. Why?

Because the board has control of the police and can use intimidation or afford protection to wrong doers sufficient to secure a re-election.

The election by the people of the police board with its present powers or reduced as proposed would keep police matters in politics and add fresh corruption and complications from year to year.

With the licensing board the case would be different. If they performed their duties faithfully the people would re-elect them, but not otherwise. The liquor dealers would be the only class that would be interested in holding them in office. But if the term of office were limited to to two years this danger would be largely overcome. Besides, the people could hold over the heads of the dealers the threat of no license which would probably cause them to be cautious about engaging in political fights even for license commissioners.

What should be done with Mr. O'Brien's bill then is to amend it so that the police board may be shorn of the license-granting power and that this power shall be vested in a new board to be elected by the people.

This, it seems, would be the best disposition of the matter; the best remedy for the existing evils arising afrom the menacing power, political and otherwise, of the police board as now constituted.

REPUBLICAN CROAKERS AND DEMOCRATIC PESSIMISTS.

This is a great time for republican croakers and democratic pessimists. These two classes seem to have combined to convince this country that the democratic party is hopelessly wrecked by Mr. Bryan.

Papers from the Louisville Courier Journal down to the New Orleans Picayune are raking Mr. Bryan and booming Mr. Cleveland. Colonel Watterson represents Bryan as the exponent of a political faith cure and while the New Orleans paper does not so severely berate Mr. Bryan it extols Mr. Cleveland as the hope of the country.

The following is a sample of its wailing.

"Mr. Cleveland is by all odds the strongest, the greatest democrat and the greatest American alive today, but the mention of his name makes Mr. Bryan foam at the mouth, and this would mean a hopelessly divided party. Mr. Bryan himself would only add a third defeat to the two to which he has already led the party, and he is not to be thought of.

"Mr. Hill and Senator Gorman are clever politicians, but they can never lead the democracy to victory. Something more is needed now than political cleverness to unite the democratic party and wield it as a thunderbolt against the crumbling fabric of the republican party. As for the others who are mentioned as democratic presidential possibilities, they are too little known and too little able to excite enthusiasm enough to rouse the apathetic democracy."

The Picayune seems not to have heard of the candidacy of Hon. Richard Olney, a Massachusetts man of eminent ability, a man who will be remembered as the author of a famous letter on the enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine when England was encroaching upon Venezuela. The papers that see no salvation for the country or the democratic party but in the restoration of Mr. Cleveland to power are more prejudiced than is Mr. Bryan or his following who stubbornly oppose Cleveland.

We are not in accord with either the croakers or the pessimists. We are not in accord with the bolters who now pose as the harmonizers and appeal for the defeat of the majority. We believe in majority rule and we believe in sending to the rear any man or candidate who is unwilling to accept the decision of the democratic majority whether as to a candidate or a platform. There seems to be a disposition on the part of the bolters of 1896 to take hold now with the fixed determination to rule or ruin. Inasmuch as the men who led the party in 1896 and again in 1900 were defeated, they should not insist upon dominating the convention as to candidates or platform lest they be set down as political wreckers. Moderation, political sagacity and submission to the will of the majority are the elements upon which the democratic convention must rely for whatever success it may attain. Without these it can do nothing except stir up endless strife and controversy that will give the republican party another lease of power.

SEEN AND HEARD

The fellow who has seen the first robin for the last 50 years is getting ready.

It was E. D. McVey, Esq., who discovered the snowball sandwich.

Expect little from those you treat best and spare yourself disappointment.

These are the days when the mind of man is lowly. The poor fellow has to watch his feet.

The newness has gone from the snow and the small boy has almost forgotten how to make a snowball.

The old saw tells us not to look a gift horse in the mouth and it is also a good plan to keep a safe distance from his heels.

The man who remains sober long enough to regret his words and actions while drunk but lives today to mourn of yesterday. Whiskey is a poor panacea for a sore heart and a tyrant at the door of the wage-earner.

The newspaper man so prosperous as to sport an automobile during the summer months and a south sea seal-skin cap and snowshoes in the winter is a wonder in his day and generation.

The fellow who has been singing, "When the roses bloom again beside the river," all winter, will probably change to, "Snow, Beautiful Snow," when the trees begin to bud.

You may climb the mountain of sorrow,
Or sail on a tear-stained tide,
But be sure 'nd get out from under
When the snow begins to slide.

If we were schoolboys again, romping and playing and minus a care, the cake that our life partners make would probably taste as good as the cake that "mother used to make."

A fellow down in Gloucester, who imagines that he has heaped upon him more than one man's share of trouble, suggests that it would be well to change the name of "Old Home Week" to "Trouble Telling Week," and yet there are those who will tell you that the lobsters have all disappeared from Gloucester.

A correspondent who signs himself J. M. Q., writes to "Mr. Seen and Heard" as follows:

"I notice that the police are very anxious as to the condition of sidewalks throughout the city, but they seem to lose sight of the fact that the walk in front of the Market street building has a coating of ice four inches thick. J. M. Q."

"Mr. Seen and Heard" has investigated the sidewalk and finds that it is covered with ice, but he is glad to add that the department is not a bit stingy with its sand.

The story is told of a dignified clergyman in this city who had a parishioner addicted to drink. The parishioner was a very good man barring his love for whiskey. One night the minister met him coming home in such a condition that he remonstrated with him on the spot. By way of clinching his argument, he asked: "What would you say if you were to see me reeling along the street in a hopeless state of intoxication?"

The good-natured parishioner was silent for a few moments, apparently in deep meditation. The minister believed that he had at last touched the nerve that controlled the drinking habit of the offender. "Come, John," he urged, "what do you say?"

"I wouldn't tell a soul, sir," answered John.

The patrol sleigh was very much in evidence in the street yesterday and a great many people got the impression that the police were having a very busy day. The patrol, however, was not answering bell calls. There was a green horse on the high side that James Kilburn, the veteran driver, was breaking in. Mr. Kilburn has shown a good many green "uns" the way during his fourteen years of service in the capacity of driver for the police department and he knows a horse from A to Z. The new horse was purchased by the police department about a month ago. He has had the distemper, but is now ready for business.

Amateur theatricals seem to have taken on new life in Lowell and already three Catholic societies have arrangements under way for the production of standard plays. The Mathew Temperance Institute which has attained eminent success in the dramatic line in years past is to present the comedy drama "The Charity Ball," on May 4th. The Catholic Young Men's Lyceum of St. Patrick's has completed preparations for the presentation of the drama "Friends" next week in aid of St. Patrick's church, while the Young Men's Catholic Institute of Belvidere deviates from the profound drama in producing "The Bohemian Girl," a piece that gives the choral society of the institute an opportunity to show its worth.

The many friends of Rev. Joaquin V. Rosa, pastor of St. Anthony's (Portuguese) church, who went to the Azores in search of health, will be pleased to learn that he will return to Lowell in April. The popular clergyman upon being assigned here shortly after the formation of the parish, worked unceasingly night and day, which in a measure contributed to his health becoming impaired and subsequently his departure for a more desirable climate.

He is held in high regard by the Portuguese residents of the city who sincerely hope for his return.

AN ENTERTAINMENT

IN AID OF MT. VERNON FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.

A musical and literary entertainment in aid of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church will be given at the church on Monday evening in which Mr. Walter David, impersonator and reader, will appear, assisted by Miss Anna Berry, pianist and harpist. The entertainment will begin at 7.45. Admission 25 cents.

SHAWKNIT LOOPERS

HELD THEIR THIRD ANNUAL PARTY AT PRESCOTT HALL.

The Shawknit loopers held their third annual dancing party at Prescott hall last evening and the affair proved to be a grand success, there being a large attendance of loopers and their friends. Dancing was commenced shortly after eight o'clock and Hibbard's orchestra played pleasant strains until midnight. The hall was prettily decorated with evergreen and potted plants.

The officers of the party were as follows: General managers, Lizzie McLean, Leola Cragle, Bertha Foote; floor managers, Alex Pearson, Charles Pearson, Philip Audette; aids, Lizzie Ray, Alice McNulty, Daisy Thatcher, Elizabeth Clinton, Lucy Bernard, Katie Smith, Martha Thatcher, Blanche Dennis.

OAKVIEWS DANCED

GAY ASSEMBLY AT THOMAS TALBOT HALL.

The second social of the Oakviews was held at Thomas Talbot Memorial hall last night and the affair was largely attended, more than 75 couples being present, including a large number from Lowell and the towns surrounding Billerica. Dancing was enjoyed from eight o'clock until midnight, music being furnished by Kittredge's singing orchestra.

The following had charge of the party: General manager, Fred Conley; floor director, Fred J. Gannon; chief aid, Charles E. Cowdrey; aids, Charles Defoe, Fred Hannon, William Costello and Fred Corr.

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all light grounds, plaited fronts, sizes 15 to 17 only, 50c goods - - - - **25c**

Sale of Men's Neglige Shirts
spring patterns, all sizes, 14 to 17, woven and printed madras, separate cuffs—each **35c**
3 Shirts for $1.00

Sale of Boys' Neglige Shirts
new spring patterns, all sizes 12 to 14, two collars and a pair of cuffs with each shirt **35c**
3 Shirts for $1.00

Sale of Men's and Boys' Flannel Night Shirts
Handsome patterns of Domet, cut extra long and wide, closing out for - - - **37½c**

Sale of Fine Neckwear
qualities up to $1.00. English Squares, Puffs, Ascots and Four-in-Hands, all shapes **35c**
3 for $1.00

Sale of Fine Suspenders
brand new goods, handsome designs; full elastic webs, plated buckles. Regular price 50c, for - - - - - - - - **19c**

Sale of Men's All Wool Overcoats
heavy oxford and black frieze and kerseys, were $10 and $8, all now - - **$5.00**

Sale of All Wool Overcoats
for young men and boys up to 18 years, cut long, finely tailored, were $10, all now **$5.00**

Sale of Boys' Belt Overcoats
sizes 4 years to 9. Best value ever offered for $2.50—now marked to close - - **$1.50**

CITY HALL NOTES

Among the other improvements which Supt. Conlon has asked the appropriation committee to allow him to install is a motor in Huntington hall to run the big fan on the heating apparatus now run by an engine. The cost of the new motor will be $500, and judging by what Supt. Conlon, his foreman and his engineer say about the proposed improvement the motor will pay for itself in one year. At the present time an engine runs the fan, Huntington hall being heated by the indirect system and it takes about 40 pounds of steam to get heat. Under the new system with a motor running the fan 10 pounds would be sufficient to heat the building properly. The saving in coal alone will pay for the motor in one year. But the saving in coal is not the only advantage to be gained by the installation of the motor. It will have another use in another season of the year quite as important as furnishing heat, namely of furnishing cool air for Huntington hall during warm weather. As is a well known fact Huntington hall is frequently used in the warm months, and as any one who ever visited it on a warm evening will recall Huntington hall is like unto an oven in warm weather. Those who attended the graduation exercises of the High school last June on one tremendously hot night must still recall how sickening the atmosphere was on that occasion. Huntington hall is poorly ventilated and a bad place in hot weather and under present conditions there is no way of keeping it cool in summer. With a motor operating the big air fan the hall can be kept as cool as the traditional cucumber on the hottest night for the same fan which pumps in hot air in the winter can be utilized to pump in fresh cool air in warm weather. It is impossible to operate the fan in warm weather under the present arrangements as it would be necessary to light the fires to get the engine going. But with the fan operated by a motor it would be easy enough to keep the hall at a comfortable temperature. But another advantage to be had from the new motor is at the city carpenter shop. The motor which runs the machinery there while large enough to do duty at Huntington hall is not of sufficient size to meet all the requirements at the carpenter shop and it is Supt. Conlon's intention to get a larger motor for the carpenter shop for the $500, and remove the smaller one to Huntington hall.

One of the members of the park commission informed The Sun reporter that if the estimates of the commission are cut much by the appropriations committee there will be little or no work done in the department during the year as there will not be sufficient money, the commissioners having shaved down their estimate to the lowest level before submitting it.

The member of the appropriations committee who intimated at a recent meeting that he would not care to hear from Mr. Manning at a hearing given in regard to public opinion as to department appropriations will probably find Mr. Manning in a front row at the hearing waiting for an opportunity to express his views, and if we don't miss our guess Mr. Manning will incidentally give the committee his views on some of the rising young statesmen who get into City hall and make such "breaks" about citizens.

Charles W. Kelly, the well known painter of the firm of Kelly brothers, who made a fine run for the common council on the democratic ticket in ward one at the last city election, is a candidate for superintendent of streets. Mr. Kelly has friends in both parties and they are confident that he will be successful. Mr. Connors is still in the contest and in all probability will be considered further before Mr. Kelly is taken up.

Arthur C. Racicot, one of the numerous candidates for superintendent of lands and buildings, is the most confident of all the candidates. He is sure that if he could only get Councilman Cheney with him that he would win in a walk or at least a hop, step and jump. He intimates that in the event of Councilman Cheney coming over he might be tempted to give Mr. Bibeault second place in the event of his election. Racicot and Bibeault would certainly read most euphoniously on the pay roll. But there's neither rhyme nor reason in some things.

Pres. Braden, it is said, of the common council intends to facilitate matters by appointing his joint standing committees and his Fourth of July committee on the same night and thus making less work for the clerk. The Fourth of July order will be presented in about four months.

FLANAGAN WON PRIZE.

Private Flanagan of company C, Sixth regiment, won third prize in a drill held under the auspices of company E, of the Fifth regiment at Medford last night, the prize being a bronze medal. Sergts. Russell Going and J. Douglas Rivet of Company C received honorable mention.

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KILLED BY DOG

ANIMAL ANGERED BY BLOWS HE RECEIVED.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6—A boxing match with his dog, a great dane, which he had taught to stand up and fight in human fashion, has resulted in the death of Henry A. Thorne of Germantown. The fatal bout took place in the home of Thorne last Tuesday, and the unforeseen end came as a result of the fierce anger of the dog, which had been stirred up by the blow struck by his master.

Maddened by the pain and provoked, possibly, by the fact that he had failed to reach his adversary with his paws, the beast plunged forward and hurled its heavy body against his human antagonist, sending the latter flying to the ground. The dog landed with such force as to crush several of Thorne's ribs, broken bits of which punctured the lungs, which resulted in death.

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COTTON PANIC

Wild Scenes in New Orleans Market

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 6.—Yesterday saw the wildest scenes of this week in the cotton market. At the lowest levels of the day prices were from 152 to 180 points lower than the highest levels and about three cents lower than what cotton was selling for the first of the week.

The market was thrown into a panic soon after the opening by the immense quantity of cotton offered. Where the offerings came from was a mystery, but thousands of bales were thrown on the market forcing prices down ten and twenty points at a time. Such wild scenes were never before witnessed on the cotton exchange. Crowds of people lined Gravier street, watching the brokers. There appeared to be ten sellers to one buyer. At the height of the turmoil the bull leader, W. P. Brown, pleaded with the brokers to stop offering their cotton fifteen and twenty points under the market.

"You will break the market and yourselves if you continue," he said. "Take the cotton yourselves and carry it and you will make a profit on it."

Brown's stand against the selling immediately had its effect as it was clearly evidenced to everyone that the rules of the exchange were being broken by the way many brokers were offering cotton. The bull leader followed his speech by heavy bidding and buying and in a few minutes other longs followed his lead and in a short time, in place of the panic, comparative quiet reigned and prices showed a material recovery, although the market had a weak tone up to the close.

At the lowest levels of the day, March had lost 152 points at 13.88; May 17.5 points at 14.15, and July had lost 180 points at 14.50. The close was from 65 to 70 points higher than the lowest levels of the day.

SUNDAY SERMONS

TO BE PREACHED AT DIFFERENT CHURCHES TOMORROW.

BAPTIST.

First—George street, corner Church street, Rev. Smith T. Ford, D. D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Junior Young People's society at 5.15 p. m.; evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "God's Consolations," communion and reception of members. Evening, 6.30, "Going! Going! Gone!" The last in the series of "A Modern Auction Block."

Mount Vernon Free Baptist Butterfield street, corner of Mount Vernon street, Rev. Stephen D. Millin, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 11.45 a. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

First Freewill—Paige street, Rev. D. R. Martin, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Fifth Street—West Fifth street, Rev. Orville Coats, pastor, 727 Bridge street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Bible school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Immanuel—Blossom street, Rev. Robert F. True, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Y. P. S. C. E. at 5.30 o'clock; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Preaching morning and evening by Evangelist Rev. N. H. Harriman. Singing by Gospel Soloist William James Taylor.

Chelmsford Street Freewill—Chelmsford street, corner of Plain street, Rev. Albert E. Kenyon pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at noon.

Worthen Street—Rev. Arthur Wedge, pastor. Morning service at 10.30; evening service at 6.30; C. E. meeting at 5.15.

Morning, "Andrew Finding Peter." Evening, second in series of stumbling blocks, "My Business Will Not Let Me Become a Christian."

French Baptist church, corner of Bonell and West Sixth streets, Rev. Isaac La Fleur pastor.

Branch street, Middlesex street, opposite the easterly junction of Branch and Middlesex streets, Rev. Asa Reed Dills, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Young People's meeting at 5.45 p. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Evangelist Maplesden will preach morning and evening and Miss Ivy Pierce of Boston will sing.

North Billerica—Rev. E. B. Scates, pastor. Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Hadley Street Freewill Baptist.

CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany. Gospel read in the mass and made the general subject of sermons: Matt. XIII 24-30.

St. Patrick's—Owing to the destruction of the church, services tomorrow will be held as follows: In Associate hall masses will be sung at 7 and 8 for adults, 9.30 for children, and high mass at 10.30. The 9 o'clock mass for adults will take place in Huntington hall.

St. Peter's—Gorham street, Rev. Michael Ronan, rector. First mass at 6 a. m.; second mass at 7 a. m.; third mass at 8 a. m. (new church); children's mass at 9 a. m. (St. Paul's chapel); fourth mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 7 p. m.

St. Michael's, Sixth street, Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor. First mass at 6.30 o'clock; children's mass at 8.15 a. m.; second mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 1.30 p. m.; vespers at 3 p. m.

Immaculate Conception (Oblate Fathers) East Merrimack street between Brown and High streets, Rev. E. A. Dorgan, O. M. I., pastor. First mass at 6 a. m.; second mass at 7.30 a. m.; children's mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

Church of the Sacred Heart (Oblate Fathers), Moore street, opposite Andrews street, Rev. John P. Reynolds, O. M. I., pastor—First mass at 6 a. m.; children's mass at 8 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

St. Jean Baptiste (Oblate Fathers), Merrimack street, corner of Aiken street, Rev. Joseph Mangin, O. M. I., rector. First mass at 7 a. m.; children's mass at 8.30 a. m.; high mass with sermon at 10 a. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

St. Joseph's (Oblate Fathers), Lee street, corner of Kirk street, Rev. Joseph A. Fournier, O. M. I., rector—First mass at 7 a. m.; second mass at 8.30 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10 a. m.; vespers at 3 o'clock.

St. Anthony's (Portuguese), Gorham street, corner of Congress street, Rev. Fr. Ferriera, acting pastor. First mass at 8 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL.

First—Merrimack street, opposite the public library, Rev. Ralph Gillam, acting pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 5.30 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Highland—Westford street, corner of South Canton street, Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor—Morning prayer at 10.10 o'clock; sermon at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Morning, "The Present Lordship of Jesus Christ." Evening, "After Death, What?"

High Street—East Merrimack street, corner of High street, Rev. Charles W. Huntington, D. D., pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock, Sunday school at 12 m., Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.15 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock. The pastor will preach morning and evening.

Kirk Street—Kirk street, opposite French street, Rev George E. Martin, D. D., pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Rev. S. H. Woodrow, D. D., of Hope church, Springfield, Mass., will occupy the pulpit, Sunday morning and evening. Dr. Woodrow is one of the ablest preachers in New England.

Elliot—Summer street, corner of Favor street, Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, pastor, Rev. J. M. Greene, D. D., pastor emeritus. Morning service 10.30. Sunday school 12; Y. P. S. C. E. 6.30. Evening service at 7.

Morning 10.30—Christ's Way With Sin.

Evening 7.00—Lincoln and the Gospel.

First Trinitarian—Dutton street, corner of Music Hall avenue, Rev. George F. Kenngott, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Centre—Dracut, Rev. Fredk. J. Kelley, pastor. Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Pawtucket—Pawtucket square—Rev. Edwin R. Smith, minister. Morning worship at 10.30; Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6; evening service at 7.

Morning, "Was Abraham Lincoln Mistaken?" Evening, "The People of Abraham Lincoln." A theme suggested by John Fox's story, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." Patriotic music in evening.

Swedish—London street, pastor, Rev. C. A. Bjornhom—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

French—Bowers street, corner of Fletcher street, Rev. T. G. A. Cote, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Hillside, Dracut—Rev. J. A. McKnight, pastor—Services at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school and pastor's class at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.15 p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Morning, "Thy Kingdom Come." Evening, Christian Endeavor Decision Day at 6.15—Exercises—followed by lecture by pastor.

Evangelical—Tyngsboro, Rev. Sarah A. Dixon, pastor—Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.30 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Tewksbury Congregational—Morning services at 10.30; Sunday school at noon; evening service at 6.30.

Pelham church—Rev. J. L. Hoyle, pastor. Preaching at 10.45 a. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

North Chelmsford Congregational—Robert W. Dunbar, pastor. Morning service at 10.30.

Chelmsford Centre Congregational. Rev. Dr. J. M. Greene will preach at 10.45 a. m. Subject—"The White Stone."

EPISCOPAL.

St. Anne's—Merrimack street, corner of Anne street, Rev. A. St. John Chambre, D. D., rector.

St. John's—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock. Communion first and third Sundays and on the greater festivals.

House of Prayer—Sunday services matins 7.15, low mass 7.30; litany, 10.30; high mass and sermon, 10.45; vespers 7.

All Saints, Chelmsford. Services and sermon, 10.45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12. Evening service, 7; Holy communion, 10 a. m.; first Sunday in the month, 10.45.

LUTHERAN.

Swedish—Meadowcroft street—Sunday school at 9 o'clock a. m.; morning service at 10.30 o'clock; evening service at 7 o'clock.

METHODIST.

First Primitive—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Morning, "The Modern Demands of Discipleship." Evening, communion and reception service.

St. Paul's—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school and Bible class at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30.

Morning, reception of members and communion. Evening, "Ruinous Alliances."

Centralville M. E.—Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 6.45 p. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Epworth league at 6 p. m.

Highland—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Central—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Epworth league meeting at 5.45 o'clock; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

First Swedish—Moore street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Worthen Street—Worthen street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Bethel Primitive—Moore street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Wesley church—Merrimack square—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First—Appleton street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Morning, "Clean Hands." Evening "The Cross Proof of God's Love."

Westminster United—Tyler street. Morning, "Miracles, Are They Possible With Us Today?" Evening, "Why Fuller Understanding Is Not Given to Some of the Deep Things of God."

UNITARIAN.

First—Merrimack street. Regular morning service at 10.45 o'clock. Sunday school immediately following the morning service.

Morning, "The Sixth Beatitude." Evening at 7, Rev. James DeNormandi, D. D., at Grace Universalist church.

Free—Middlesex street. Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.

UNIVERSALIST.

First—Hurd street. Morning service at 10.30; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 o'clock.

Morning, "Les Miserables." Victor Hugo's great story. Evening, union service in Grace church.

Grace—Princeton street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.

The Church in Modern Life. Union service at 7. Rev. James De Normandi of Roxbury will preach.

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These men who control the latter company now control the Hudson, Pelham & Salem company.

The leases will make no change in the service, but will effect a better harmony of management. They have been authorized by the New Hampshire commissioners and will be by the Massachusetts board later.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

What proved to be one of the jolliest and most successful sleighride parties that have gone from this city thus far this winter, left Chestnut street at 8 o'clock last evening and proceeded to Billerica Centre. The party was made up of 5 of the boarders of Mrs. F. C. Kenneson, the popular and well known Belvidere landlady and the large "pung" drawn by four horses never contained a fuller crowd.

The party arrived after an exceedingly enjoyable trip at Smith's farm, Billerica Centre, where an appetizing repast was served. After the festive proceedings, dancing was enjoyed and games were played until a late hour. The trip back was made in good time and the merrymakers reached home covered with snow but all in good spirits. The party reached Chestnut street about half past one this morning. Messrs. George Preble and John Davidson had charge of the arrangements.

LADIES OF CHARITY.

An important meeting of the Ladies of Charity of St. Patrick's church will be held in the brothers' school hall at 4 o'clock, Sunday afternoon.

BROTHER ISIDOR, DIRECTOR OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

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Brother Isidor, who has been master of studies at Mt. St. Joseph's college on the Frederick road, near Baltimore, for 10 years, has been made director of the institution, succeeding Brother Joseph, deceased.

This appointment will not take him away from his former position as master of studies.

Brother Isidor is well known in Lowell, where he made many friends during a vacation he passed here about nine years ago.

Brother Isidor was born in Bodman, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, Germany, April 24, 1853. He spent his early life there and came to this country with his parents at an early age. They went direct to Louisville, Ky. He studied at St. Boniface's school and St. Xavier's college. August 15, 1868, at the age of 13, he applied for a membership in the brotherhood.

At 15 he began teaching at St. Xavier's college and has been teaching since. Brother Dominic, who formerly was director of St. Patrick's school in this city, now director of St. Mary's industrial school, and provincial of the order, was a teacher in Louisville at the time and he helped educate Brother Isidor.

In August, 1885, Brother Isidor came to Baltimore and took charge of the studies at Mt. St. Joseph's. Said he to a representative of the Baltimore American:

For 35 years I have not missed a day in the classroom, except when I was compelled to leave the college on visits, and they have been few and far between. I have not known a day's vacation, and if I had one would not know what to do with myself.

Even in the summer I teach. Three years ago I was appointed inspector of the schools and that keeps me somewhat busy. The past three summers I have taught the younger brothers of the order at Old Point Comfort, Va., and Danvers, Mass., and at the college here, on the method of teaching.

My whole life has been spent among boys and I love them. In fact, I have been so much with them that I feel myself getting like them. I sometimes find it difficult to act otherwise. Boys are not bad after you get to know them. They love me, I know, for I can tell it by their obedience.

Strange to say I do not know what it is to buy a piece of clothing, or anything even so small as a shoestring. Since I entered the brotherhood I have never been called on to handle money, and I feel at a loss to know how to go about my new duties, which call for just such knowledge. When I needed anything, all I did was to ask for it, and it was given me. That state of affairs has existed since I was 15 years old, and now I am 60. I must begin at this late age to learn the art of finance.

Another thing that will be strange will be changing my sleeping quarters. For 10 years I have had my bed in the dormitory with the boys. Tonight I will make a change, as it will not be in keeping for the director to sleep with the boys. By my leaving them does not mean that I want to. It is because I have to. I had to touch last night when I entered the dormitory and heard the boys whispering that I was coming to sleep with them for one more night. Their delight at knowing it was simply a treat. If my boys were taken from me I think it would kill me. They are all I have and constitute my world.

Brother Isidor is the youngest postulant that has ever been admitted to the order. In 1884, Brother Isidor organized the Alumni association at Louisville, and started that organization on its successful way before leaving that city. He has been president of the athletic association at the college but will now retire. As professor of mathematics at the college he is unexcelled, and it is contended that he is the best teacher in the country in that particular branch.

Brother Norbert, of the college, has been appointed assistant director, and will take complete charge of all the clerical work, thus taking a great deal of that from Brother Isidor's shoulders.

Brother Norbert is a Lowell boy, having been born and reared in St. Patrick's parish.

SOCIAL AND DANCE

BY THE HIGHLAND COACHMEN'S CLUB.

The first social and dance of the Highland Coachmen's club was held last evening at Highland hall and was a great success. Music was furnished by Hadley's orchestra. The officers who had charge of the affair follow: General manager, Thomas F. Dooley; assistant general manager, Edwin A. Davis, floor director, Randy Dunn, assistant floor director, James Dunn; chairman of reception committee, Owen Hannagan; aids, Michael Kinnaird, George Moreland, Steve Wotton, Swan Swanson, Harry Pentse, John Collins.

MEN'S LEAGUE MET.

The Men's League of the First Universalist church held an enthusiastic meeting in the vestry last evening. Nearly every member of the organization was present and twelve new names were added to the rolls. The business affairs connected with the recent supper of the league were settled, and it was decided to hold a banquet early in March. The following interesting program was given: Piano solo, Perry Hands; vocal solo, Arthur Fisher; selection by the league quartet, Messrs. John Dalton, Daniel McKenzie, George McGuire and Gordon Lee; banjo solo, Ray Gordon; monologue, John MacNamara and Frank Johnson.

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ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

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FAIRFIELD, Me., Feb. 5—Albert Pooler, a French cook, attempted suicide early last evening by shooting. Pooler is 33 years old, and has been employed by the S. A. Nye manufacturing company for several years. Two weeks ago his wife went away. Pooler grew despondent over his domestic unpleasantness and has not been working for a week.

Last evening he went to the house where his wife is stopping and asked her to return. She refused and he went at once to the hardware store of A. H. Totman, purchased a revolver, returned to the front of the house, and placing the muzzle over his heart fired one shot and fell. The bullet glanced upward, missed his heart, and although it has not been located, the surgeons think there is a chance for the man to recover.

Pooler is an industrious and quiet citizen, with many friends in the village.

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ST. LOUIS' CHURCH

Will be Formally Dedicated Tomorrow Morning

The new church edifice of St. Louis will be formally dedicated to the service of God tomorrow morning and the new French parish in lower Centralville will become a reality.

The dedicatory services will begin at 10 o'clock and the officiating clergyman will be Very Rev. Fr. Lefebvre, O. M. I., provincial of the Oblate order in America, who will specially represent Most Rev. John J. Williams, archbishop of Boston, who will be unable to be present. At the conclusion of the dedicatory service solemn high mass will be celebrated by Fr. Lefebvre, assisted by local priests and he will also preach the sermon. He will be attended by Rev. Fr. Jacques, pastor of the new church, and several local clergymen. Contrary to expectations, Rev. Fr. Onesine Lacroix, assistant to Fr. Jacques, will be unable to attend, as he is now temporarily in charge of a parish at Waltham, the pastor of which is ill. The choir under the direction of Allier David will render the harmonized mass in the second tone, Mrs. J. A. Folsy presiding at the organ. Solemn vespers and benediction will be held in the evening.

The new church was built in record time. Three weeks ago last Tuesday the first work was started and in two weeks from that date the church was nearly completed. All day yesterday the work of placing the 800 new pews in position was going on, that they might be in readiness for the opening services tomorrow. In the building of the church the most expert carpenters under the direction of Jacques Bolsvert have been engaged. The outside of the church has been painted a dark brown, while the inside is tastefully finished in Georgia pine. The choir loft is large enough to accommodate at least half a hundred people. At the other end of the building is the altar, which is constructed of wood and is pure white in color. The church is heated by a system of hot air, which is carried to the auditorium through three large registers.

The parish church is not an adjunct to the Order of Mary Immaculate, as Rev. J. N. Jacques, the pastor, is a secular priest. In the birth of this parish, the other French Catholic churches lose 696 families or 3478 persons, a large number of whom are young people. Though the district in which this place of worship is located is not nearly as thickly populated as are the other French Catholic sections of the city, within the past few years the neighborhood has grown very rapidly and it is a foregone conclusion that the opening of a new church will attract many more French Catholics to the neighborhood.

The parochial residence is located but a few rods away from the church, on Bolsvert street, and was built especially for the pastor of the church.

SKETCH OF PASTOR.

Rev. J. N. Jacques, the pastor, was born in Verchers, P. Q., in 1862, and received his education in the Academy L'Assomption of that town. When he was quite young he decided to devote his life to the work of God. This was when he was 12 years of age. In the year 1886 he became an ordained priest while residing in Montreal. It happened that in this year many French Canadians were emigrating to the United States and as a result he was sent to Salem, Mass., where he was assistant pastor in St. Joseph's Catholic church of that city. Here he remained for three years, when he was sent to Cochituate, Mass., where he was appointed pastor of St. Zephirin's church in that town. He remained there until about three weeks ago, when he was directed to come to Lowell.

The officers of the church society are representative French citizens and are as follows: John H. Beaulieu, president; George Lauziere, secretary; and J. A. Folsy, treasurer. The sexton is Dalphis Jarvais.

Following is a partial list of the members of the choir:

Men—Allier David, G. Gardeau, S. Saulard, A. Bolsvert, E. Janvier, J. Trudeau, A. Delisle, G. E. Lauziere.

Women—Alice Pratte, M. Pratte, Ida Mongrain, A. Mongrain, Cora Pratte, R. Pratte, Edna Bolsvert, Athi Bolsvert, Mary Delisle, Alice Lambert, Eudora Dalaire and Olrie Arcand.

THE LUCE LAW

IS GIVING ELECTION COMMISSIONERS LOTS OF TROUBLE.

The election commissioners are now in a quandary as to what they shall do about spring caucuses for the election of delegates to the national conventions. Under the Luce law provisions are made for the holding of municipal and state primaries, stating specifically that the law shall not apply to caucuses held in connection with national conventions.

From the above it appears that the caucuses for national delegates must be held under the old law. Of course, all this appears simple until someone asks about where the caucus officers are to come from.

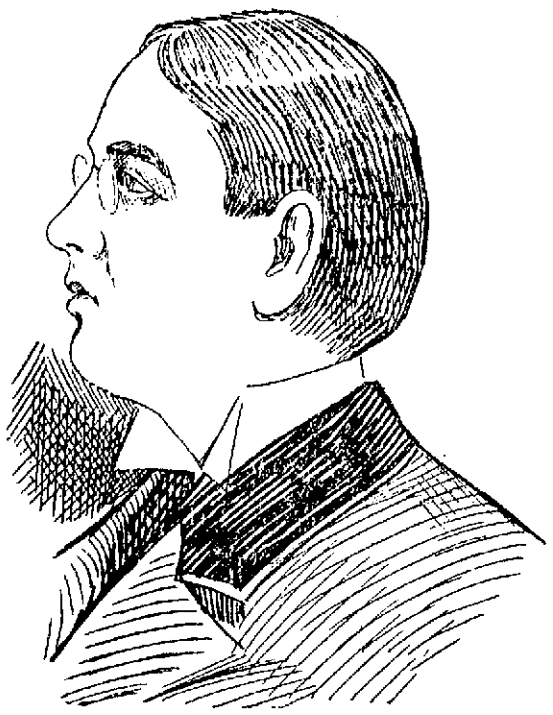
Under the Luce law the caucus officers are in the hands of the election commissioners. Under the old law the caucus officers were elected at the caucuses to serve for a year. There are now none serving under the old law, hence none to serve at the caucuses to be called under the old law in the spring.

The election commissioners realize that they can't hold caucuses without caucus officers, and they can't have caucus officers elected without holding caucuses. The caucus officers elected when the old law was in force were chosen by the parties themselves, and the terms of the last of such officers chosen have expired.

It is more than probable that the election commissioners will seek a remedy through the legislature.

LANDLORDS.

If you have a tenement idle that rents for $15 a month, you are losing 50 cents a day every day it is vacant. A little ad. in The Sun "To Let" column will rent your tenement in a very few days. Others have tried it with good results; why don't you try it?



CHARLES F. THWING.

THE LARGER LIFE

By President Charles F. Thwing

OF WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

Before Middlesex Women's Club

Yesterday afternoon the Middlesex Women's club was addressed by President Charles F. Thwing of Western Reserve university, Cleveland, Ohio. He had for his subject, "The Larger Life." He said in part:

"The thought is altogether too common that the largest life must be intellectual, and the most important part of the life intellectual is the life scholarly, scholastic. It is much to know the world as the world exists, from the tiny flower to the remotest star, so far as science in broad relations offers to us this world. It is also much to know the life of the world, historically. But I am inclined to think that our estimate of the value of scholarship is too high, in comparison with what we ought to regard the life of the thinker. To think is far more important than to know.

"I think that we teachers are inclined to overestimate the value of knowledge as an end in itself. When we reach a certain age our power of forgetting becomes happily greater than our power of gaining or holding. But knowledge as a means for making the thinkers is of superior and of supreme worth. It is not necessary to know much, but necessary to have known much, and to have the results of knowledge in one's intellectual constitution. The person, therefore, who is able to think, who is able to find a principle, to take that principle and to find his way through the labyrinth of facts, that person has a large and the largest life.

"But of course we are not simply knowing or thinking beings. The ethical note is probably more fundamental than the intellectual. Only three or four days ago I was speaking with our president at Washington, whom I have the honor of knowing something, and in good fellowship I said to him, 'Have you no anxiety about the immediate future?' He said, 'No;' and added, 'Whatever may come, I know that I have tried to be straight.' Whenever Theodore Roosevelt or any man, occupying a place conspicuous or obscure, is able to say, 'I know I have tried to be straight,' you may be sure that that man is living a large and a great life.

"But we are not simply intellectual or ethical beings; we are also aesthetic beings. We are able to appreciate the beautiful, the sublime, the magnificent. We are children of the Puritan and of the Pilgrim. Our forefathers, 250 years back, felt that beauty in forms was akin to a church that they did not like. We are the children of our fathers, but we have come to see that the noble beauty in the great dome of Santa Sofia or the arch of St. Peter's or Cologne, may embody emotions that lift and thrill, beneath the influence of which it is hard to be small and easy to be great.

"But we are still more than beings of the aesthetic, of the ethical, or of the intellectual. We are also beings of heart. Perhaps the heart is, of all the elements of being, the most fundamental. The essence of the heart is love. To love, is humanity's first joy, duty, privilege. Love of country seems to be an illustration of the embodiment and the epitome of life's fundamental note and characteristic.

"But man is also a doer. The man who is the doer is the man also of the larger and the largest life. Massachusetts in one relation has a most close affiliation with Ohio because Horace Mann, who revolutionized the school system of this state 60 years ago, did his last work and died in Ohio. Antioch college is great, memorable as Rugby, because Horace Mann was there.

"The larger life, then, the largest life, consists in these five simple elements: Thinking, appreciation of the right, appreciation of the beautiful, loving, and doing. Like a five-point star, hangs this great life over each of us. There are some who can be great thinkers; there are some who can embody great righteousness; there are some who can appreciate, at least in a degree, beauty, the sublime and the noble; there are some who can be great lovers not of one, but of all; and there are some who can be great doers, fighters, soldiers in the lasting battle for humanity; and they in some place include all. Therefore, in fundamental elements and relations, each of us may live the life that is larger and largest, and which is life itself."

HE MAY BE DEAD

Brockton Man's Friends Fear Foul Play

SAY THAT LIQUOR MEN PERSECUTED HIM

Accused Him of Being a Spotter

BROCKTON, Feb. 6.—Arthur E. Vincent, 36 Carter street, left his home about 10.30 Thursday morning of last week and has not been seen or heard from since. Members of his family do not hesitate to say they believe he has been murdered.

A. W. Vincent, father of the young man, said yesterday that the police some months ago employed a man named Vincent as a liquor spotter. Although it had nothing to do with the young man who is missing, members of the family say that, having the same name, he had been accused by many of being the same man, and that he had been offered many insults and threats, so many, in fact, that it became hard for him to get employment, and he had contemplated enlisting in the navy or on a cattle steamer, to get away from his persecutors. They refuse to believe that he has done either, however, as they say he would have notified them.

Vincent is a paperhanger and some time ago was papering a room when he came across a trap, evidently used for hiding liquors. The occupants of the house, according to his father, asked him to paper the room so that the trap could be used, and he did so. A few days after a raid was made by the police at the house, and Vincent was accused of having notified the police but the elder man says that this was not so.

A. W. Vincent, the father, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Fisher, brother-in-law and sister of the missing man, say they think that a search of the neighborhood may reveal his body, as they say those who would treat him as he has been treated since coming to this city would be none too good to murder him. They say they may bring some of their neighbors into court for slander and abuse in order to see if anything can be ascertained regarding his whereabouts.

LABOR MATTERS

HEARINGS ON THEM WILL BE HELD SOON.

The governor yesterday signed the bill relieving towns from operation of the Luce joint caucus act, which was passed last year.

The members of the special committee on the relations between employer and employe breathe easier now.

For five days, the limit allowed him by law, Governor Bates held up the resolve which provides for the printing of 10,000 copies of the report of the special commission which sat during the recess and discussed the relations referred to.

The report of this commission was the sole excuse for the creation of the special committee of the legislature and without copies of the report the committee could not go ahead and justify its existence by giving public hearings.

As soon as the copies are received, therefore, Senator Wallace, chairman of the committee, will call the committee together and decide on dates for hearings.

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You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

BOWLING ALLEYS

Vespers Defeat the Highland Team

Teams representing the Vesper club and the Highland club met on the Vespers' alleys in Pawtucket street last night and an interesting bowling contest was held which resulted in victory for the Vespers by a score of 1603 to 1527. But two strings were rolled owing to the fact that there were ten men to each team. Candle pins were used and good figures were in order.

Fred Grover of the Vesper team was high man with a two string total of 194, his single string of 101 being the record breaker of the night. Runels was high man for the Highland club with a total of 167, but the low scores of several of the Highland members caused the defeat. The score:

Vesper Team—J. Whittier 147, Grover 194, Bramhall 155, Thompson 151, Kerschner 157, Young 146, Stevens 170, Martin 163, Fletcher 158, Patton 152; total, 1603.

Highland Team—Sherburn 106, Sturtevant 156, Dickerman 129, Anderson 152, Lazelle 160, Wing 156, Barton 161, Green 158, R. Libby 148, Runels 167; total, 1527.

MOHAIRS WON.

The Mohairs defeated the Lowells last night on Les Miserables alleys by a score of 1192 to 1168. Southam and Jewett were the high men of their respective teams and both had the same three string total, which was 255. The score:

Mohair—Southam 255, Harrison 227, Sidebottom 224, Campbell 233, Harriman 245; total, 1193.

Lowell—Jewett 255, Jordan 220, McGreveney 225, Galvin 229, Bowen 229; total, 1168.

MILITIA SNOWED UNDER.

The High Rollers defeated Co. M last night by over 100 pins, the military boys being all to the bad. The score:

High Rollers—McGrath 225, Doyle 242, King 281, Cooney 263, Harrington 239; total 1250.

Co. M—McCarthy 265, Hammersley 208, Wood 222, Dacey 215, Hamel 246; total, 1146.

WELLINGTONS THE VICTORS.

The Wellingtons defeated the All-Stars last night by a score of 1303 to 1112. The score:

Wellingtons—Donnelly 204, Lang 257, McNeely 243, Conway 257, Kelley 242; total, 1303.

All-Stars—Galvin 221, Carey 204, Berry 233, Flanagan 216, Starr 238; total, 1112.

RECREATION LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Ramblers	10	5	.667
Bigelows	10	5	.667
Orients	10	5	.667
Belmonts	8	7	.533
Mohairs	8	10	.533
Columbias	2	13	.133

BOWLING NOTES.

The Connemaras and Welch Wonders will meet on Les Miserables alleys Monday night for the third contest in the series of bowling games. The Wonders have won both games thus far and Deputy Welch says that it will be easy Monday night, but Sergt. Conners says that there will be something doing on the alleys Monday night and with several changes in the team and a good scorer his team will win.

It is understood that Peter Cawley of the Connemaras has been released and a "dark horse" is to take his place.

A pretty battle is now on in the Recreation league, the Ramblers, Bigelows and Orients being tied for first place.

O'Brien of the Ramblers has a lot to do with his team being at the head of the list. In fact put O'Brien in any kind of a fair team and he can do his share to score a victory.

REAL ESTATE SALES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEB. 6, 1904.

LOWELL.

Mary A. Coudry, administratrix to Patrick McGilley, land with buildings on Concord street, $3500.

Mary McNelley to Henry Smith, land on Bolt street, $1.

Henry Smith to C. Brooks Stevens, land on Bolt street, $1.

William H. Whitman to Woonsocket bank, several lots of land at Ayer's City, $1.

John P. Coburn et al to Warren A. Sherburn, the Bear Meadow, $1.

City Institution to Myles and Winifred Molony, the Sylvanus Bartlett estate, Summer street, $4150.

WILMINGTON.

Nathan Blodgett et al to Lawrence E. Swain, land with buildings on Middlesex avenue, $1.

DRACUT.

Napoleon Jodoin to Alice Jodoin, land at Greenmont park, $1.

Thomas J. McDonald to Charles E. McDonald, land on Mammoth road, $1.

CHELMSFORD.

George B. Thrasher to A. B. Adams, the Chestnut Hill lot, $1.

BILLERICA.

William H. Roberts to Arthur G. Mahoney, land at Pinehurst, $1.

PRIMARY UNION

ENTERTAINED BY MRS. HUGH GREEN.

Mrs. Hugh Green, secretary of the district primary work, entertained the members of the Primary union at the Worthen Street Methodist church yesterday afternoon and about 40 were present. Miss Lucy G. Stork gave a chalktalk on the next Sabbath's lesson and Rev. Mr. Allen gave an address on "The Child."

Children from the First Presbyterian church furnished additional entertainment.

Frances Leggat and Bernice Rodgers, duet; Florence Ramsay and Edna McAdams, duet; and Marion Gordon, reading.

The entertainment was followed by a social and refreshments. The ladies of the church helped Mrs. Green make this a very pleasant hour.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Passaconaway tribe of Red Men was held last night and five applications for membership were received. Three pale-faces received the hunter's and warrior's degrees and the exaltion of the chief's degree will be performed at the next meting. Class initiation reported some twenty applications so far for March 25.

There were visiting brothers present and remarks were made on the good of the order. This tribe is now the largest in the Massachusetts reservation and great rivalry exists between Winnepuckett tribe of Lynn and Wingarsheik tribe of Gloucester and the local tribe to see which one will hold the leadership at the next great council meeting in August.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

JOHN J. O'CONNELL, CHIEF MARSHAL OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE.

ROUTE OF PARADE

For St. Patrick's Day Demonstration

CONVENTION WILL MEET AGAIN TOMORROW

The Parade Will Form in Merrimack Square

The delegates to the St. Patrick's day convention will hold another meeting in Hibernian hall tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock when arrangements for the great demonstration so far as completed will be announced by the chief marshal and the division marshals. The outlook is now very favorable for an immense parade in which the Hibernians of this city, Nashua, Lawrence, Haverhill, Groveland, Woburn, Everett and Boston will take part.

There will also be organized at the convention tomorrow a business men's cavalcade which will compose one division of the parade.

It is more than probable that the lineup of march will be announced tomorrow after Chief Marshal John J. O'Connell has a conference with his staff officers and the division marshals. Mr. O'Connell's idea is to have the parade form in the vicinity of Merrimack square and this seems to be popular with about every one so far consulted. It is explained the formation of the parade at this point will accommodate all who intend to take part. The visitors will arrive in the square on special cars and they can repair to A. O. H. hall and don regalias and prepare for the turnout and no time will be lost. More than that it will save the different societies a great deal of marching. The plan under consideration is to have the staff of the chief marshal form on French street with right resting on Bridge street. The divisions will then form on Paige, John, Kirk and Ann streets, and each one will be picked up in turn.

TYNGSBORO FAIR

Annual Event of Village Improvement Society

The annual fair of the Village Improvement society of Tyngsboro took place last evening and was a big success. On account of the recent fire in the town hall, in which the fair was held, there were no decorations this year, but business was brisk throughout the evening, nevertheless, and a goodly sum was realized.

The people in charge of the various departments were as follows:

Kitchen—Mrs. Channing Whittaker, chairman; Mrs. Frederick Blanchard, Mrs. Louis Bradlon, Mrs. Fannie Perham.

Dining room—Mrs. William Blanchard, Mrs. Fred Bancroft.

Fancy table—Mrs. Addie Perham, chairman; Mrs. John Truby, Mrs. George G. Dickey, Miss Ina Butterfield, Miss May Hadley.

Toy table—Miss Ophelia Brown, chairman; Miss Maud Perham, Miss Bernice Sherburne, Miss Kate Spaulding.

Domestic table—Mrs. Annie Horton, chairman; Mrs. Ayers Butterfield, Miss Ida Hunter, Miss Grace Whittaker.

Candy table—Miss Belle Perham, chairman; Miss Effie Higgins, Miss Lottie Upton, Miss Jennie Bancroft.

Food table—Mrs. Daniel Lawrence, chairman; Mrs. Peter Littlehale, Mrs. Annie Andrews, Miss Nellie Perham.

Country produce—Andrew Hadley, Otis Wright, William Blanchard, Daniel Lawrence.

The entertainment was in the hands of Mrs. G. A. Barlow and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kable. "Old Acre Folks," a two-act drama, was given by the dramatic club of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Eliot church, Lowell. This skit has been seen before by this same company of young people, and it lost none of its good points by repetition.

The cast was as follows:

The Deacon's Wife.....Annie W. Chase
The Deacon's Daughter.....Ruth Eaton
The Squire's Housekeeper, Marion Faulkner
The Squire.....George P. Longfellow
The Deacon's Son.....Roland W. Black
The Squire's Daughter...Esther M. Greene
The Country Boy.....Albert W. Pease
The Stranger.....Albert A. Ludwig
The Deacon.....Edmond A. Ramsay

The music was furnished by the Littlehale orchestra.

A good dinner was served from 6 until 8 and the tables were well patronized.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting for men will be held in Branch Street Tabernacle. "Sunday at 3.30. Evangelist Maplesden of Hartford, Conn., will give the address and has chosen for his subject, "Young Men of India," a theme which he is qualified to discuss, having spent fifteen years in that country, a greater part of the time among the British soldiers. Miss Ivy F. Pierce, who is possessed of a sweet voice and a pleasing personality, comes from Saratoga Street Methodist church, Boston, but has been engaged in special metings for the past four weeks with Rev. A. C. Dixon at the Central Baptist church in that city. An exceedingly interesting and helpful service is assured.

The fourth in the series of members' popular evenings will be given Tuesday at 8.15, when the attraction consists of an illustrated lecture by Mr. Asa C. Russell, entitled "The Land of the Midnight Sun." Ice cream and cake will be served. A limited number of invitations will be issued to friends of the members, particulars regarding which can be secured at the office.

ONE MORE WORD TO

GAS CONSUMERS

We are being congratulated on every side of the great saving and abundance of light from our "New Air-Lights." One of our local merchants informed us that during the past two months, December and January, the longest months of the year, against the two previous months, he had saved the price of his new lights and had received double the amount of light that he had been getting from his cluster lights. He is only one out of hundreds who are daily and hourly congratulating us for the great benefits they are receiving from our wonderful Air Lights, which are now on exhibition day and evening at 366 Merrimack St. Other cities that were quick to catch on to the cluster lights, or "Hot Air Furnaces," as they are called in other cities, found that their gas bills were much larger than their lights and are now discarding them by the hundreds. Lowell is waking up to the fact that people are not practically giving away lights unless there is something behind it. The largest dealers in our city admit that I have the best light they ever saw. There are men canvassing this city who claim to have the Denayrouze Air Light, which is not true. There is no one who has the genuine Air Light but me. My agents are furnished with cards and pamphlets of our lights. Don't be deceived. Call and see for yourself.

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THOSE LIQUOR ADS

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Official Decision to That Effect Exposes the Subterfuge of Certain Papers That Work Both Sides

There is a claim falsely made by some newspapers that they are compelled to publish liquor advertisements under the postal regulations which many of them do, at the same time printing temperance editorials side by side with the advertisements setting forth the virtues of some leading brand of whiskey, some special brew of beer.

This delusion imposed upon the public has been recently exposed by "The New Voice," a New York publication, in an article which will make interesting reading and which we reprint here for the information of temperance people and others who may have been imposed upon by the same plea which was falsely made by newspapers in Chicago and elsewhere in order to cover their duplicity.

As The Sun has steadily refused liquor advertisements and is the only Lowell paper which has done so, it takes special interest in the information contained in the subjoined correspondence from The New Voice, and hence submits it to the Lowell public in the following article:

FROM THE NEW VOICE.

For a long time some of the newspapers that have been in the habit of printing strong temperance editorials and flashing whiskey and beer ads. at their readers on other pages of the same issue, have been putting up a most sanctimonious bluff to keep the confidence of their temperance subscribers.

In reply to inquiries as to why they should permit in their columns advertising of liquors which they denounce editorially, they have declared themselves martyrs to arbitrary post office regulations which "require" them to admit liquor ads or "forfeit their second class mail privileges!"

The New Voice first investigated the matter over a year ago in the case of the Chicago American, and supposed it had proved the utter falseness of any such claim in its issue Nov. 27, 1902, although the American never, to our knowledge, admitted its mistake. If mistake it was. But the same old bluff has been attempted again, this time by the St. Paul Daily News.

The New Voice presents herewith the official opinions of the superintendents of second-class mail matter at the Chicago and St. Paul post offices, respectively, and in addition, a letter in the same regard from Edwin C. Madden, third assistant postmaster general, at Washington, D. C.

THE AMERICAN'S BLUFF.

John C. Eastman, business manager of the Chicago American, Nov. 4, 1902, answering the direct inquiry of Mr. P. Woodring, Oelwein, Iowa, who protested against the apparent inconsistency of temperance editorials and liquor advertising in the same paper, wrote Mr. Woodring as follows:

"Mr. P. Woodring, Oelwein, Iowa:

"Dear Sir: I think you will find that a smaller number of whiskey advertisements appear in the American than in any other paper in the United States. You may not be aware of the fact, but a newspaper publisher cannot refuse to print advertisements from whiskey houses, even if he wants to. Under the post office rules a newspaper cannot exclude any advertiser whose business is legitimate. If we undertook to refuse to print any whiskey advertisements, complaint would be made to the post office authorities and we would not be allowed to send papers through the mails. It may interest you to know that none of the solicitors of the American solicit advertisements of whiskey houses. All other newspapers of this city do solicit whiskey advertisements.

JOHN C. EASTMAN,
Business Manager.

Chicago, Nov. 4, 1902.

THE ST. PAUL NEWS BLUFF.

J. Harry Lewis, vice president and manager of the St. Paul Daily News replying, November 30, 1903, to a similar protest from Dr. Ray Humiston, of Worthington, Minn., wrote:

St. Paul, Minn., November 30, 1903.
Dr. Ray Humiston, Worthington, Minn.

Dear Sir: We heartily agree with your position regarding the liquor advertising. For years our institution in Des Moines refused to accept it, and it was only when threatened with prosecution and debarment from the second class privilege by the postal authorities that the bars were thrown down. Of course the layman did not know that the paper who receives the second-class privilege must accept advertising from any recognized legitimate business, and further than that it must accept the advertising at its regular published rate; failure to do this would place the refused person in a position where they could bring suit and compel the paper to pay 2 cents on every copy sent from the post office in place of 1 cent a lb. as at present prevails. This you see will make the publication of a newspaper practically impossible.

Very sincerely yours,
THE ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS.
Per J. Harry Lewis, Mgr.

CHICAGO POST OFFICE REPLY.

In response to an inquiry from The New Voice, Nov. 8, 1902, prompted by the American business manager's declaration that the publication of liquor ads. is compulsory.

This is, of course, supposed to be answered in the affirmative; yet it is manifestly incongruous that a temperance paper should advertise the goods of a liquor house, or that a paper in the interest of one religious denomination should advertise books advocating the creed of another denomination.

Were a paper to admit the advertising of a firm dealing in a certain line of goods it could not exclude the advertising of that firm's competitors. I think I am right in saying that it is only in such a case that the postoffice department would interfere. It is not our understanding that the government would deprive a publisher of certain mailing privileges because he declined to print advertisements that were obnoxious to his principles. Mr. Eastman is not wholly correct in stating that papers refusing advertisements would not be permitted to pass in the mails. I do not think we should have authority to hold papers for that reason. It is only in cases where undue advantage is being accorded to a certain firm or individual by the refusal of advertising space to his competitors that we should be called upon to interfere.

It is possible that Mr. Eastman was misled by a telephone message from me in reply to a question put by him on this subject. I did not understand the full significance of the question which is somewhat too broad to be decided offhand.

W. R. GETTY.
Supt. 2d Class Matter.

Chicago, Nov. 11.

ST. PAUL POST OFFICE ANSWER.

In reply to Dr. Humiston, who wrote the St. Paul post office authorities Dec. 11, 1903, Postmaster A. R. McGill, returned the following terse opinion:

Postoffice, St. Paul, Minn.
Dec. 12, 1903.

Respectfully informing Dr. Ray Humiston, Worthington, Minn., in response to his note of Dec. 11, that this office does not understand the postal regulations to require a publisher to accept advertising for liquors, in order to entitle him to the second-class mail privileges.

The only condition in that regard, apparent to us, is that he may not discriminate against one liquor house in favor of another, but having admitted one such ad, should accept ads. from competing interests at the usual rates.

A. R. McGILL, P. M.
Moroney.

WASHINGTON'S OFFICIAL OPINION.

Knowing that the opinions of local postoffice authorities of even two such important points as Chicago and St. Paul might not be considered conclusive, and of course would not be regarded as necessarily authoritative at other points throughout the country, The New Voice wrote to Washington, D. C., for a definite opinion from the headquarters of the postoffice department. The following letter in reply tells its own story:

Postoffice Department,
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General,
Classification Division,
Washington, D. C.

Edwin C. Madden, Third Asst. P. M. General.

In your reply, refer to C. D. No. 51778
Mr. F. D. L. Squires, Associate Editor The New Voice, Chicago, Ill.:

Sir:—The department is in receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, in relation to your right to refuse advertisements in contravention of the principles advocated by you in your publication.

In reply you are informed that a publisher may refuse advertising on moral grounds, or because his advertising space is filled, or for other reasons which do not touch the question as to whether the publication is of a public character instead of being to further private interests.

The department does not assume to direct how a private business shall be managed; it assumes no prerogative of determining what advertising shall be refused, and is concerned solely with the question whether the publication complies in all respects with the requirements of the law (Act of March 3, 1879) governing the second-class mailing privileges.

Respectfully,
EDWIN C. MADDEN,
Third Asst. Postmaster-General.

The moral of all this therefore is, that no newspaper or other periodical publication in the United States is under any compulsion to admit liquor advertising to its columns.

A newspaper can be absolutely sure of its right to refuse liquor advertising if it wants to, and can rest assured that it will not be deprived of second-class mail privileges for so doing.

If your local paper or your metropolitan daily persists in insulting the best part of its constituency by printing—for a price—the flaring falsehoods and the nauseous details that make up the beer, whiskey and alcoholic "tonic" advertising of the day, it can find excuse no longer in this time-worn bluff that it "has to" roll it in.

Push the battle against the liquor advertising newspaper.

SUN SNAP SHOTS OF POPULAR SPINDLE CITY PEOPLE

Our new appropriation boss, a corker seems to be,
He stands for frugal government and straight democracy,
The head of each department is very much impressed
When Wilson swings his blade and asks "Where can I cut you best?"

A PLAIN STATEMENT.

The dentist who doesn't hurt is the one for you to patronize. There is such a dentist in Lowell and that dentist is Dr. Allen, Old City Hall. The reason he doesn't hurt is because he is up-to-date, he knows that every instrument that will save his patient pain and time must be at his command and it is. He knows that the antiquated days of dentistry are past and that the dentist of today must do perfect work and painlessly and must have superior ability. These requisites Dr. Allen possesses, so that it is but natural that he is the leader.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

DOWN IN DEFEAT

Lowell Lost to the Natick Team

HAVERHILL TAKEN INTO CAMP BY LYNN

Military and High School Games

NATICK, Feb. 6.—The home team added another easy victory to its list last evening by defeating the Lowell team, 40 to 14. Lowell has been strengthened by the addition of Matthews of the Springfield team. Martens, Hayes and Healey led in the number of baskets thrown, and the blocking of Sheridan and Falle were features of the game. Allard and Abbott played best for the visitors. At no time after the first period was the home team in danger. The summary:

NATICK	LOWELL
Hayes rf	lb Abbott
Martens lf	rb Holleran
Falle c	c Cairns
	c O'Neil
Sheridan rb	lf Matthews
Healey lb	rf Allard
Punch lb	

Score—Natick 40, Lowell 14. Goals from floor—Martens 5, Hayes 5, Falle 2, Healey 4, Sheridan, Punch, Allard 2, Abbott 2, Holleran, O'Neil. Points on fouls—Natick 4, Lowell 2. Fouls called on—Martens 3, Falle, Sheridan 3, Allard 3, Matthews 2, Cairns 2, Abbott, Holleran 5. Referee—William Marley of Lowell. Timers—Hoey and Gray. Time—3 15m periods. Attendance—900.

LYNN 41, HAVERHILL 19.

LYNN, Feb. 6.—The New England league Lynn basketball team defeated the Haverhill team in this city last night by a score of 41 to 19. Harrington of the Haverhills played an excellent game. Ferat of the Lynns was injured in the second period and Hough was substituted. The summary:

LYNN	HAVERHILL
Ferat rf	lb Kellher
Hough rf	
Fogarty lf	rb Harrington
Mulliner c	c Wachter
Mayham rb	lf Lynch
Kinkaid lb	rf Horan

Score—Lynn 41, Haverhill 19. Goals from floor—Fogarty 6, Mayham 6, Mulliner 3, Hough 8, Ferat, Wachter 3, Horan 2, Lynch, Harrington, Kellher. Points from fouls—Lynn 5, Haverhill 3. Referee—Godley. Scorer—Moore. Timers—Hitchcock, Driscoll. Time—3 15 m periods. Attendance—600.

CO. M 9th, 15; BATTERY C 13.

Battery C of Lawrence was defeated 15 to 13, last night by Co. M, 9th regiment, in the inter-city Military Basketball league. Battery C led, 6 to 3, at the close of the first period. It was a tie, 10 to 10, at the close of the second. Good work by Mitchell won the game for Lowell. The summary:

CO. M.	BATTERY C
Regan rf	lb Boulger
	lb Merrigan
Walters lf	rb Cowperthwaite
Poole c	c Legasse
Mitchell rb	lf Begin
Allen lb	rf Duhamel

Score—Co. M 15, Battery C 13. Goals from floor—Mitchell 4, Regan 2, Cowperthwaite, Legasse, Duhamel, Merrigan. Referee—T. Maguire, Lowell. Timers—Capt. McNulty, W. Shore. Attendance—400.

LAWRENCE GAME POSTPONED.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 6, 1904. The basket ball game scheduled for last night in this city between Lawrence and Hudson was not played as the Knights of Columbus desired to have the use of city hall to repeat their minstrel performance which had a successful presentation Thursday night. The management of both teams agreed to the arrangement and the game was called off.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

STONEHAM, Feb. 6.—The local high school basketball team was defeated by the Lowell high school team in the armory yesterday afternoon in a fast game by a score of 28 to 26.

There were a large number of spectators present.

BASKETBALL NOTES

Lawrence and Manchester battle in the Queen city tonight, and Lynn and Hudson have it out in Hudson.

When Mathews came to Lowell, the old Springfield combination was broken. The Lynn players feel the absence of Toby from their team greatly.

Police Commissioner Pearson and John W. McEvoy, Esq., are the latest fans who take in all the hot ones.

The Lowell players sat for pictures a few days ago. With Lowell and Lynn battling for first place you could not get a hall large enough to accommodate the crowds that would want to see the games.

Natick is a hard nut to crack on the Natick grounds. Here in Lowell we have trimmed them but only after the hardest kind of battle.

When they get out their fish horns as they did Thursday night, you can make up your mind that the old enthusiasm is coming back and will be in evidence at all the big games.

Lawrence fans are keeping their eyes on the basket throwing of Hough and Fogarty. They better watch Toby Mathews. He is the man who promises to make Kane of Lawrence do some hustling before the season ends. That boy Allard, too, is getting in his licks.

The best reserved seats for Thursday night's game were sold after the ticket office was opened only one hour. Manager Gray has decided to open the box office at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of all big games during the remainder of the season. This rule will be followed out Monday when Manchester will be here for a battle with the Lowell "champs."

The idea of introducing the players of the opposing teams is a good one and should be followed out on all occasions. It is a great help to those who are not acquainted with the men on the different teams and is appreciated by all. Let the good work be continued Monday and every night when a game is played. Many know the players on the Manchester team but there are some who do not just as there are persons attending the games who are not yet thoroughly acquainted with the local team. Old Sport is willing, so let the work be continued.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

A grand sacred concert will be given at the Academy of Music tomorrow afternoon and evening. The program has been carefully arranged and is sure to please the theatre going people of this city. Every person on the bill is an artist and the program will prove to be the best ever given in this city.

Miss Mae Nelson, the Canadian songbird, will be heard in several selections, this young lady being especially engaged by the management of the house as her last appearance in this city proved to be a grand success. Provo and Elmo, comedy jugglers, direct from the Alhambra Music Hall, in London, will also be seen, and those who have seen this act know that it is without a peer. Messrs. Provo and Elmo are making a tour of the American continent after having played at all the principal concert halls on the other side of the water.

Another highly pleasing feature of the program will be Prof. Martine and his troupe of educated dogs; these dogs being the best performing dogs on the stage today. Handy's moving pictures, all new subjects, is another number and as Mr. Handy has just received thousands of feet of new films direct from the Edison company, few, if any of them, could have been seen before.

Mae Angell, the charming soprano, will be heard and her songs will be illustrated. The premier musical artists, Dadmun and Johnson, are also on the program. Taken as a whole the program is one which is sure to please the most exacting audience. The afternoon performance will be at 2.30 o'clock and the evening performance at eight o'clock. The box office is now open for the sale of tickets.

NEXT WEEK AT THE CASTO.

For the 20th week of the season Manager Haynes has prepared a strong bill which will undoubtedly draw large crowds to the cosy theatre. Walthour and Kreamer head the program and they present the most exciting act on the vaudeville stage, the race of horse against man. Walthour who is an expert bicyclist races against Kreamer mounted on the thoroughbred, Dolly Varden, and the race is close and exciting. It is the most thrilling act ever presented in a local theatre.

Harper, Desmond and Bailey, the three black diamonds, present their amusing singing and dancing specialty; the twin Nices, the California Rosebud and boy baritone will appear; the Four American trumpeters in their military musical act; Paul Barnes, the man who wrote "Dolly Gray" with songs and stories; Waller and Magill in a comedy sketch, and Alfred Anderson, the male Melba, round out a program which cannot but please all. Green trading stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

GUNS DISABLED

Iowa's 8 Inch "Toms" Blew Off Muzzles

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 6.—The battleship Iowa while testing her batteries on her way down the coast February 1, blew off the muzzles of both 8-inch guns in her forward starboard turret. Flying fragments smashed one of the ship's whaleboats. Both guns are fractured between hoops E and F and the barrels are badly swollen. None of the crew was injured and no damage outside that given was sustained by the vessel.

The Iowa is now in Hampton Roads. She came from the Brooklyn navy yard to Norfolk for coal preparatory to joining the Caribbean squadron at Culebra. The accident will prevent following this plan.

CRAZY MAN'S ACT

Dennis O'Connor Shot and Killed Brother

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Laboring under the delusion that he was being persecuted by witches because he would not join a secret society, Dennis O'Connor, 37 years old, shot and killed his brother, Jeremiah, 40 years old, at their lodgings on Utica street, last night. Jeremiah's death was probably instantaneous and the police believe the self-confessed murderer is insane. He is under arrest.

The two brothers had lived together for more than eight years and were known as industrious and inoffensive persons.

BRILLIANT FUNCTION

AT U. S. EMBASSY AT ST. PETERSBURG.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—The handsome Leuchtenburg palace, on the English quay, the home of the American embassy, was the scene last night of the first large reception of the season, given by U. S. Ambassador McCormick. It was a brilliant affair. Several hundred persons were present, including many of the Russian nobility, all the prominent diplomatists, Prince Dolgoroukki, Prince and Princess Cantacuzene, Prof. Martens, the ambassadors of Great Britain and Germany, and the ministers of Belgium, Japan and China and their wives.

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Mr. John Gallagher of 21 East Merrimack streets says:—"Three years ago I had severe pain in my back which I attributed to rheumatism. Reading about kidney troubles led me to wonder if the kidneys were not the cause of it. Having heard of the value of Doan's Kidney Pills for kidney ailments I bought a box at Ellingwood & Co.'s drug store, corner Merrimack and Central streets. The wonderful relief ensuing from their use proved the trouble proceeded from the kidneys and at the same time proved the great value of Doan's Kidney Pills. I have since then always kept them in the house and from catching cold or other cause when I felt the least indication of backache a few doses of this remedy soon ended it."

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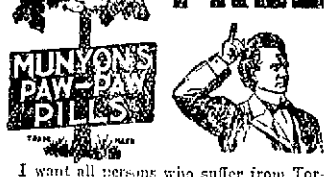

I want all persons who suffer from Torpid Liver, Biliousness, Constipation, Jaundice, Headaches, Dizziness, thin or impure blood, with sallow and dull complexion, who have Pimples, Eczema or any Skin Eruption to throw away all Catharics, and all so-called blood purifiers and try my Paw-Paw Pills. I don't want any money—don't want you to invest a penny until you have given these pills a trial. I am willing to give away millions of them so that the people can learn, without cost, that they are the best pills on earth.

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SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.42	8.50	6.00	7.04
6.22	7.40	6.30	7.26
a6.38	7.30	7.15	8.25
a6.42	7.38	8.25	9.01
a7.01	8.03	e9.00	9.47
e7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.50	a10.17	11.24
7.45	8.35	e11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.00	12.58
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.00	12.03	2.00	3.01
a11.48	12.25	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.30	4.14	5.30
a1.56	2.39	e5.00	5.37
a3.08	4.20	5.38	6.25
a4.47	4.30	a5.47	6.34
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
a5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.08
a6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
e7.23	8.10	11.30	12.22

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.39
9.26	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.00	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.35	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.30	5.50
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.35	7.48
5.06	6.43	9.30	10.40
6.15	7.15	B11.15	12.15
7.00	8.06		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.02
4.05	5.18	5.00	6.27
5.40	6.55		
8.00	9.05		

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
6.38	7.50	9.00	10.00
7.24	8.10	1.00	1.37
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
a9.20	10.15	a7.30	8.08
a4.25	5.50	e8.30	9.08
a5.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

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LOCAL NEWS

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Lawler Printing Co., 20 Prescott st.

Hire your hacks at O'Donnell's stable. Tel. 439-4.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elliott A. Hubbard, 181 Howard street, Feb. 5, a son.

Challenge brand coffee, all grocers and butchers. Sullivan & Co., 147 Middle St.

Fred Colby and his two children have returned from a visit to Mr. Colby's parents at Antrim, N. H.

Thomas G. Robbins presided at the annual dinner of the alumni of Wesleyan Academy of Wilbraham, Thursday night.

Stratton & Handley announce a recital by Samuel Siegel, world's greatest mandolinist; Hyman Meyer, musician, wit and minic and J. F. Caveny, caricaturist and humorist, at Colonial hall, next Tuesday night.

Miss May Mills celebrated her 18th birthday Thursday evening by entertaining about thirty of her young friends at her home, 23 Methuen street. Refreshments were served and games and music served to make the evening pass off merrily, the party dispersing at midnight with many expressions of good wishes for the young hostess.

The Highland Sixteen Whist club met last evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Spencer, of Westford street, and after some interesting play the prize offered for the highest score made by one of the ladies was secured by Miss Abels, while Mr. Alexander Strauss won the gentleman's prize. At the conclusion of the play the company were hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Spencer who were assisted in attending to the wants of the guests by Mr. Alec Abels. The club will meet next week with Mr. and Mrs. D. Whipple, Westford street.

Y. M. C. I. Attention

Members of the Y. M. C. I. can secure the best hacks and service in the city by ordering from a brother member, Thomas J. O'Donnell, who will be there personally to look after the carriages. Telephone 439-4.

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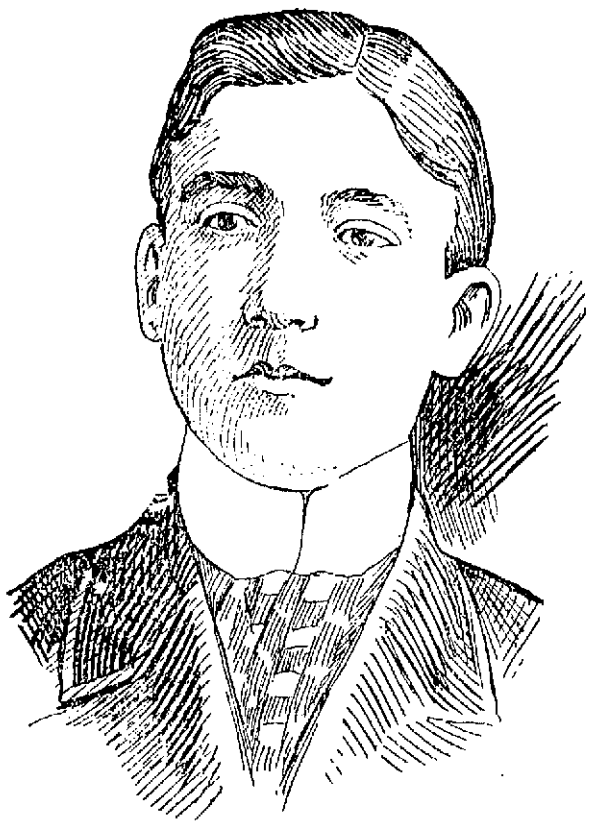

JOHN F. CONWAY, FLOOR DIRECTOR PHOENIX CLUB.

GRAND ASSEMBLY

Of Phoenix Club at Associate Hall

The seventh grand assembly of the Phoenix social and athletic club was held last night at Associate hall. This club consists of prominent young men of this city and while all of their parties have been successful last night's party eclipsed its predecessors both socially and financially.

The dance order consisted of 17 numbers and the music for dancing was furnished by the New Cadet orchestra. Contained in each dance order was a comic valentine accompanied by a verse in keeping with the picture.

The affair was under the management of the following corps of efficient officers: General manager, Frank J. Carolin; assistant general manager, Edward McQuade; floor director, John F. Conway; assistant floor directors, Thomas McMahon, Thomas Moyland; chief aid, James Ready; aids, John Ready, Frank T. McQuade, William H. Delehanty, John H. Donahue, Peter J. Rourke, William Alexander, Joseph P. Conway, William Hartley, Patrick J. Donahue, Edward J. Tarant, Hugh Alexander, David Sullivan, William Mahoney, James Grady, Thomas F. Sheehan, William F. Regan, John P. Ward, Charles Donahue, John Guthrie, Michael F. Murphy, John Herman, David Pyne, Joseph Higgins; treasurer, Frank Fay.

The Phoenix Club is an organization of young men in ward four, which has since its inception five years ago become a factor in the social and athletic life of our city. Its well appointed club rooms in Congress street, besides having all the comforts of an ideal club house, boasts of a first class gymnasium where the members indulge in healthful exercise. The Gardner boys are among those who occasionally visit the "gym." The president of the club is Frank J. Carolin, well known as a member of Industry Council, R. A. Among the members of the club are School Committeeman William F. Regan of ward four, Ex-Overseer of the Poor Thomas F. Sheehan and many others.

TOOK LAUDANUM

LEWISTON MAN FOUND DEAD IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, Feb. 6 Patrick M. Boyle, 40 years old, and a former merchant at Lewiston, Me., was found dead yesterday afternoon in a sleeping room at the Quincy house, a partially emptied laudanum bottle by his side. Dr. Harold V. Andrews of Cambridge street was called by the hotel people and when he arrived he said Mr. Boyle had been dead for several hours. The police of the Court square station reported to headquarters that it was a case of probable suicide.

At the hotel a clerk told a reporter that Mr. Boyle had been a guest at the house since Feb. 1 and that he had come there from Lewiston, and that nothing out of the way with him had been noticed. He seemed prosperous, and when he went to his room at midnight Thursday he seemed to be in good health. The hotel folks thought it likely he had been unable to sleep well for some reason or other and that he had taken laudanum to induce sleep, and probably had taken an overdose by mistake.

Two agents for crockery houses, who were at the Quincy after the death of Mr. Doyle became known, said they had sold him bills of goods in the past few days, and that he had appeared to them to be cheerful and in good health. What he was ordering goods for is uncertain, as he had retired from business at Lewiston.

VALENTINE PARTY.

A valentine party, whist and dancing under the auspices of the Ladies of Charity of St. Patrick's church will be held in Prescott hall Monday evening, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the building fund of St. Patrick's church.

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CITY AUDITOR

Has Been Suspended by the Mayor

CHARGES MADE AGAINST CITY HALL OFFICIAL

Sensation In City Hall Circles

HAVERHILL, Feb. 6.—Mayor Wood sprung a sensation in city hall circles yesterday afternoon when he temporarily suspended City Auditor Fred L. Rowe from office. This is the outcome of the hearing held at the joint convention of the city government Thursday evening, when City Auditor Rowe, through his counsel, Representative Pingree, refused to answer questions asked by the mayor.

"The city council first voted to give the city auditor a hearing and then voted not to give him a hearing," said the mayor yesterday relative to the developments Thursday evening at the joint convention of the city government. He claims City Auditor Rowe acted in a manner unbecoming a city official, and the remarks of Lawyer Pingree was unnecessarily abusive during the hearing.

"My duty was plain," said the mayor "and I did everything in my power to try to prevail upon the city auditor to state what facts he might have in his possession in answer to my specific claim that he did not make a full examination of the bonds and cash of the city of Haverhill in the year 1901; also to tell why he reported that there was $13,000 worth of bonds on hand, when, as a matter of fact, they were missing from the city treasurer's office for nearly two months, and many of them for nearly three years.

"Lawyer Pingree might have talked all night about 'poor grammar' and 'worse law' but I do not think he could in any way make a proper denial that the situation was just as I represented it to be. In acting as I did I feel that I was only voicing the sentiments of the great majority of the taxpayers of Haverhill.

"When I framed that communication of inquiry which suggested a hearing to the city auditor I asked for and received the advice of the city solicitor, whose opinion expressly says that the city auditor has the custody of the fire insurance bonds. Then what else was there for me to do? Beyond any doubt some one was responsible, and I decided that it was the city auditor."

City Auditor Rowe views the situation in a self-satisfied manner. He declines to discuss the developments other than to remark that he noted that the sinking fund commissioners were conspicuous by their absence at the hearing Thursday evening, despite the statement that they "would not only be willing, but be glad to be there."

Y. M. C. I. ball, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening.

BIG WHIST PARTY

HELD AT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE HALL.

A highly successful whist party was held last evening at St. Joseph's college hall for the benefit of the refreshment table at the Valentine festival which will be conducted in the near future. The party was under the auspices of Mrs. Charles H. Bolsvert and her daughters, Misses Georgianna and Azilda. The party was well attended and forty tables were required to seat the players.

Whist was enjoyed until ten o'clock, when a pleasing entertainment was given. Among those who assisted in the entertainment were the following: Remarks by Rev. L. V. Lewis, O. M. I.; song by Rev. Fr. Audibert, O. M. I.; reading by Rev. Fr. Vlaud, O. M. I.; and a reading by Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I. The latter is the director of L'Association de Notre Dame de Bonsecours, the organization which will conduct the Valentine festival.

The following interesting musical program was also given:

Overture, piano, Miss Georgianna Bolsvert, Mr. Alderic Duscharme; trio, Miss Marie Anne Desmarais, Mr. Ernest Vallerand, Mr. Richard Fournier, accompanied by Miss Julia Michaud, song, Miss Desmarais; comical song, Mrs. Maurice Lambert; piano, Miss Lillian Beautigan; comical song, Miss Nelida Cote.

The whist prizes were won as follows:

First, portrait of Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., gift of Mrs. J. T. Fontaine, Miss Jennie Gauthier; second prize, portrait of Fr. Lewis, gift of L'Institute Canadian de Contrahville, Miss Emma Chaloux; third plate, gift of Grant Jewelry Co., Miss Marie d'Amours; fourth, ice cream set, gift of Mrs. Alphonse Vallerand, Miss Emma Chaloux; fifth, tobacco jar, gift of Fr. Audibert, Alfred Lefebvre; sixth, cheese dish, gift of Miss Andrea Bertrand, Mrs. Albert Gulmond; seventh, stone ring, gift of Mrs. Frank Brogan, Victor Provencher; eighth, cup and saucer, gift of Mrs. Hormisdas Vallerand, Miss Andrea Bertrand; ninth, Japanese vase, gift of Miss Laura Dalgnan, Miss Amanda Albert; tenth, toilet set, gift of Eli Delisle, Joseph St. Amand; eleventh, two glass vases, gift of Mrs. Anna de Lamothe, Louis Landry; twelfth, toilet soap, gift of Mrs. Chaloux, Miss Eugenie Onclette; thirteenth, wax figures, gift of Miss Rose Anna Bonin, Mrs. Joseph Rivard; fourteenth, silver mug, gift of Mrs. William Beautigan, Miss Augustine Lavalley; fifteenth, perfumery, gift of a friend, Miss Josephine Aubut; sixteenth, vase, gift of Ernest Vallerand, George Carpentier; seventeenth, tobacco jar, gift of Mrs. F. X. Legare, Joseph Laferriere;; eighteenth, blouse pin set, gift of Frank Brogan, Arthur Beaudry; nineteenth, collar and cuffs, gift of a friend, Miss Regina Cognar; twentieth, collar and cuffs, gift of a friend, Miss Eulalia Simard; twenty-first, mustard holder; gift of Miss Regina Gagnon, Arthur Roberge; baubles, Misses Eleonore and Della Berry.

Mrs. Ursis Larue, Mrs. Auguste Grondin, Mrs. Joseph Ducharme, Miss Georgianna Bolsvert, Miss Azilda Bolsvert, Miss Adelaide Fournier, Miss Marie Louise Lecours were the scorers.

The judges who awarded the whist prizes were Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., and Messrs. Chas. H. Bolsvert, Zoel St. Hilaire, Geo. D. Jacques, J. A. Maille.

Maxime Lepine of L'Etoile was master of ceremonies.

Grand electrical display at the Y. M. C. I. ball Tuesday evening.

RIGHT TO WORK

Passed on by a Salem Judge

SALEM, Feb. 6.—In the district court yesterday Justice Holden, in disposing of the assault and battery case against Joseph E. Sirois, also known as Joseph E. King, defined the rights of a man to work if he so desired, without fear or opposition from strikers, organized or unorganized. King was charged with assault and battery on Louis Lachance and Joseph E. Gagnon. He pleaded guilty and was fined $25 on each of two complaints.

The trouble occurred in connection with the strike of the workmen at the Chadwick lead mills in South Salem. Wednesday morning 21 employes of the mill left the shop without any notice or making demands. Six men refused to go out with them and continued work. The strikers' places were filled with new men.

The evidence showed that yesterday morning 12 of the strikers assembled at the railroad crossing and as the men who had refused to quit and some of the new ones came along to work they were stopped by the crowd and ordered to go back.

Among those who were trying to get work were Louis Lachance and Joseph E. Gagnon. Both men tried to get by the crowd when King emphasized his demand that they return home by striking Lachance in the jaw. Gagnon also was injured.

King in court said the occasion of the strike lay in the fact that heretofore the men have been allowed 20 minutes at night in which to wash up before leaving the shop. This privilege was taken from them and they struck to get it restored. They object to washing up in their own time.

Judge Holden in passing judgment said that so far as the merits of the strike were concerned he had nothing to say, but a principle was involved in the assault which was for the laws of this country to protect.

"A man can do as he pleases about working," he said, "but this assault was committed while attempting to prevent a man who wanted to work from so working. By this assault two men who wanted to work were prevented from working, thus interfering with their rights as American citizens, who have a right to work without fear of being molested."

FINGER CAUGHT

IN A CIRCULAR SAW BUT NOT CUT OFF.

Richard Ryile, residing at 30 North street, while working at Spencer's wood yard this morning got his left middle finger caught in a circular saw. He was taken to the Emergency hospital, where it was found that the nail had been torn off the finger and that the bone had been badly bruised. His hand was dressed by the doctors in attendance.

STILL ALARM

FOR A BRISK FIRE ON MERRIMACK STREET.

The firemen of Hose 8 were summoned to a brisk blaze at 615 Merrimack street by a still alarm at 12.55 o'clock this morning. When the firemen arrived they found that a portion of the partition in the hallway was burned away and a lively blaze was in progress.

The fire started in a bale of cotton batting, which was on a trunk in the hallway and it is thought that some person while entering the house lighted a match and intending to throw the match on the floor threw it on the cotton.

After a spirited fight the flames were extinguished. The building is owned by the Lowell Institution for Savings.

FELL ASLEEP

WHEN HE AWOKE KELLY WAS ON WAY TO AMERICA.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—The Cestrian, from Liverpool, Jan. 23, and which arrived here yesterday, brought in five stowaways, A. Derasser, Jacob Diamond, J. Murphy and F. Miller, all Americans, who were permitted to land, and Lewis Kelly, a native of England, who was debarred and will be deported when the steamer sails on her return trip.

Kelly was an involuntary passenger. He went on board the steamer at Liverpool to visit a nephew and fell asleep. When he awoke the steamer was on her way down the Mersey.

THE APPROPRIATIONS

COMMITTEE MET AGAIN AT CITY HALL LAST NIGHT.

The committee on appropriations finished its tour of inspection at 5.15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and the members were well tired after their long riding in cramped quarters. In the evening the committee met at city hall again and devoted two hours to cutting down estimates. No heads of departments were heard. None of the work yet done is final and hence the amounts are not given.

A public hearing on the matter of appropriations will be held next Wednesday.

Y. M. C. A.

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IN TEWKSBURY

ALASKA, THE ESKIMOUX AND THE INDIANS WERE DISCUSSED.

The Ladies' Missionary society held its first meeting in the vestry of the Congregational church yesterday afternoon. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. Benjamin Spaulding, her subject being "Alaska." Miss Theresa Small talked about the Eskimoux; Mrs. H. M. Billings spoke of the work of Mr. Duncan among the Indians of Alaska and Mrs. H. Dinsmore gave an interesting account of the work of missionaries in the far north. The committee in charge of the meeting consisted of Mrs. W. J. Minchen, president; Mrs. Enoch Foster vice president; Mrs. H. M. Billings, secretary; Miss Theresa Small, treasurer, and Mrs. H. Dinsmore.

CIPHER MESSAGES

FORBIDDEN TO ANY POINT IN JAPAN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The central office of the Western Union cable service announced today that private messages in secret language cannot be accepted for any place in Japan.

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TEA AND COFFEE—For 60c—1 pound each of Coffee and Tea and 1-2 pound can of Baking Powder, for

60c

MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT.

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EASTERN CRISIS

The Nations Anxiously Await the Opening of Hostilities

Rumor in London of a Naval Engagement in Which Three Russian and Two Japanese Vessels are Reported Sunk--Russia's Reply Does Not Meet the Wishes of Japan—The Japanese Minister Ready to Leave St. Petersburg—Families Flee From Russian Territory in the East Leaving Property Behind

ST. PETERSBURG, FEB. 6.—THE RUSSIAN REPLY HAS BEEN HANDED TO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT BY BARON DE ROSEN, THE RUSSIAN MINISTERS AT TOKIO.

SENSATIONAL REPORT IN LONDON

LONDON, FEB. 6—2.51 P. M.—THE SCARE IN CITY CIRCLES HERE WAS EXEMPLIFIED TODAY BY A WILD REPORT CURRENT ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE THAT A SEVERE NAVAL ENGAGEMENT HAS TAKEN PLACE IN WHICH THREE RUSSIAN AND TWO JAPANESE SHIPS WERE SUNK.

RUSSIA'S REPLY

DOES NOT MEET JAPAN'S EXPRESSED WISHES.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Indications point to the fact that information received at the Japanese legation here from Tokio shows that Russia's reply, in the estimation of the legation, decidedly does not meet Japan's wishes.

The general tension in diplomatic quarters here today is unquestionably increased.

JAPANESE MINISTER

GETTING READY TO LEAVE ST. PETERSBURG.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, is making preliminary preparations for his departure from St. Petersburg.

JAPANESE FAMILIES

FLEE FROM VLADIVOSTOK, LEAVING PROPERTY BEHIND.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—A despatch received here from Vladivostok today says the hasty flight of the Japanese residents there is attributed to secret orders from the Japanese government. Neither persuasion nor promises of protection by the authorities had any effect. The Japanese commercial agent aided in the exodus. During the course of the flight yesterday the store-keepers sacrificed stocks valued at several hundred thousand roubles for five to ten kopecks on the rouble.

It is added that there is general irritation at Vladivostok owing to entire lack of news, even in official quarters.

ABSENCE OF NEWS

ENRAGES THE PEOPLE AT VLADIVOSTOK.

VLADIVOSTOK, Feb. 6.—Even the authorities here apparently are without information in regard to the general situation. They receive casual instructions from which it is apparent that preparations are on the increase to repel a hostile attack; but, no comprehensive steps have been taken, nor has there been any special allotment of funds without which many things are impossible. The movement of troops forward to Korea has been stopped.

The public is greatly depressed by the uncertainty and banking and mercantile operations are at a standstill.

If Vladivostok is blockaded the offices of the Ussuri railroad and the law courts will be transferred to Khabarovsk, and the administrative offices to Nikolsk-Ussuri. The Oriental institute and other educational establishments will be closed.

It is rumored that all strangers whether Russian or foreign will be required to leave the precincts of the fortifications and the native residents will be required to provide quarters for 8000 soldiers, with horses, with orders to mobilize the reserves being expected hourly.

The Vostochny Viestnik hopes there will be no war. The other papers are silent.

JAPAN AGREED

TO FREEDOM OF STRAITS OF KOREA.

With reference to the reiterated statement from Russian sources that Russia could not agree to a Japanese fortification of Southern Korea, as it would endanger the neutrality of the straits of Korea, the Japanese legation said this afternoon that Japan had already recognized the reasonableness of this contention on the part of Russia and had readily agreed that the passages of the straits of Korea should be perfectly free. Japan, however, refused to agree to the neutral zone suggestion because she believed it would become virtually a Russian sphere of influence in view of her large concessions on the Yalu river. Moreover if Japan had granted this demand it would have been in opposition to Japan's contention that the independence and integrity of Korea must be recognized.

WAR SITUATION

HOSTILITIES EXPECTED TO BREAK OUT AT ANY TIME.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The prospect of a great war breaking out in the far east next week, which is acknowledged even in hitherto most pacific quarters, has been brought appreciably nearer by the developments of the last day or two. That a Russo-Japanese conflict will be followed by a Balkan outbreak, which in time is liable to develop into a widespread European conflagration, is also considered as extremely probable and increases the depression pervading all political and commercial circles in England and on the continent.

The news from St. Petersburg of the preparations of M. Kurino, the Japanese minister, for departure, is not yet known in London, but, official circles, the press and the public have already practically unanimously decided that nothing can avert war, and, probably the termination of the long delay and suspense, when the first gun is fired will occasion a sense of relief and possibly business improvement. Already Tokio despatches announce that relief is felt there at the fact that all doubts regarding the outcome of the negotiations have practically been set at rest.

Prices on the stock exchange fell again this morning, consols opening ⅛ lower, Japanese 1⅜ lower and Russians one point lower. Later consols improved 1-16.

The British post office emphasizes the critical state of the situation by announcing that code telegrams cannot be accepted for any place in Japanese, thus confirming the New York announcements to the same effect.

There is reason to believe that the substance of the last Russian reply has already been communicated to the Japanese legation here and thence to the foreign office. One long and several shorter cable messages from Tokio have recently been received by Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister. There was unusual activity at the legation this morning and long messages were sent to various points.

TO BREAK RELATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Minister Griscom at Tokio cables the state department under date of yesterday that in diplomatic circles the feeling is that relations between Tokio and St. Petersburg may be broken off at any time. He adds that the feeling obtains in Japan that more than a reasonable period has elapsed since the sending of Japan's note and that the Japanese are impatient for an answer.

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SUN LATEST

FIVE O'CLOCK

BANK REPORTS

LARGE INCREASE IN THE RESERVE FUNDS.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 6. The increase of the reserve funds set apart the past year by savings banks, loan and building associations and trust companies in Maine is unprecedented in the history of these institutions, according to the annual report of State Bank Examiner Fremont E. Timberlake, submitted today. The aggregate of these funds now is $1,531,371, while last year it was but $578,876.

There are 51 savings banks with total assets of $80,538,169; 23 trust and banking companies with assets of $19,314,910, and 34 loan and building associations with assets of $2,032,296. The total assets increased $5,639,092, an excess of $591,135 over the previous year's increase.

The amount of deposits in savings banks and trust companies and of the accumulated capital in loan and building associations is $92,516,072, a gain of $3,825,403.

The increase of total assets of loan and building associations has been $77,579, while last year there was a decrease of $10,751. There has been a gain of 189 in the number of shareholders, 593 in the number of shares outstanding and 178 in the number of loans carried. The average rate of dividends has decreased from 5.83 last year to 5.58.

FUNERALS

HALL—The funeral of the late Edward W. Hall took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from his late home, 146 Howard street, and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased including a number of people from out of town. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church in Gorham street, where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at nine o'clock by Rev. W. George Mullin. The choir, under the direction of Mr. John Warburton sang the Gregorian mass and at the offertory the "Pie Jesu" was sung by Miss Mollie G. Ivers. At the conclusion of the service "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" was sung by Miss Ivers.

There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence, the following being the most prominent: Pillow, bearing the inscription "Son," from the parents of the deceased; wreath and sickle on base, inscribed "Brother," from Walter H. and James H., Jr.; cross on base, inscribed "Brother," Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mansur; crescent, Washburn family; crescent, Mamie Washburn; spray of pinks with ribbon, Ryan family.

The bearers were Messrs. Frank and Joseph Suprenant, Arthur Forton, Patrick H. Shea, Phillip Smith and Edward Washburn. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Chas. H. Molloy.

HAMMOND—The funeral of the late Rose E. Hammond took place this afternoon at two o'clock from the home of her parents, 1 rear of 267 Worthen street, and the interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

VONBOE—The funeral of Ellen Vonboe took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker C. H. Molloy and the interment was in the Edson cemetery.

ROCHETTE—Little Marie Antoinette Rochette, daughter of Dr. L. V. and Mrs. L. V. Rochette, died yesterday at her parents' residence, 734 Merrimack street, aged 1 year 5 months. The little one had been ill but nine days of pneumonia. Funeral services were held at St. Jean Baptiste church this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock and the interment was in St. Joseph's cemetery.

TRAINS WERE LATE.

BOSTON, Feb. 6—Long distance trains bound for Boston arrived at this city today from two or three hours late on account of the severe storm in the west. The post office authorities announced that mails were subject to delay.

LOCAL HEARINGS

Will be Given by Legislative Committee

ON BILLS REGARDING POLICE COMMISSION

Date of Hearings Not Yet Fixed

It is quite probable that the committee on cities of the legislature of which Senator McKinley and Representative Westall are members, will give hearings in this city on the bills to have the police commissioners elected by the people and to have them appointed by the governor, both of which are now before the committee. It is the opinion of the committee, that a better expression of public opinion can be obtained by having the hearings in this city than if they were held at the state house.

The date of the hearings has not been fixed.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT.

The United Irish league held a special meeting last night in Benevolent hall in Palmer street and considered several matters of importance, among them being a plan for a grand concert in aid of the building fund for St. Patrick's church, and a box party to be held before Lent.

The league will meet in the same hall tomorrow night and will make it their temporary quarters until a permanent hall can be obtained.

DEATHS

COLBY—Ida Ruth Colby, daughter of William H. and Annie G. Colby, died at her home, 53 Sycamore street, last evening, aged 12 years, 1 month and 10 days. Death was due to pneumonia, with an illness of less than a week. She was a pupil of Miss Breen's room in the Moody school.

GAHAN—Frank H. Gahan, aged 41 years, died yesterday at St. John's hospital. He was a well known employe of the Lowell machine shop.

LEAVITT—Michael Leavitt, aged 1 year and six months, son of Michael and Hannah Leavitt, died last evening at the residence of his parents, No. 3 rear of 236 Suffolk street.

VEZINA—The first death in St. Louis parish occurred yesterday afternoon, when Lillian Vezina, aged two months, daughter of Leonidas and Cordelia, passed away at the home of her parents, 19 Exeter street.

SWEETSIR—Mrs. Betsie W. Sweetsir, aged 93 years, died yesterday at her home, 32 Rock street. She is survived by one son, Charles H.

Superintendent Moffatt was elected a director of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Union at its annual meeting in Boston, Thursday night.

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HAD A DAGGER

Woman Was in Fear of Husband

William Charette pleaded not guilty to a complaint charging him with non-support of his wife. She said he had not contributed to her support for several months.

"Are you afraid of your husband?" asked counsel for the defence.

"Indeed I am, and I can prove it," she said.

"He sleeps with a dagger under his head and he has threatened several times to kill me."

Charette said he had not given his wife any money of late because she had not asked him for it. He said he had not been earning much money of late.

Charette said he never slept with his dagger under his head and in reply to questions by counsel for the government he admitted that he was tired and sick of his wife. He said she was a drinking woman. He said it was the third time he had been arrested in this city for non-support and he also admitted that he was arrested on a like complaint in Canada. He has a boy six-years old that he has not seen for three years. Charette was placed on probation for six months on condition that he shall pay $3 a week toward the support of his wife.

Lawrence Mellen, for drunkenness, was sentenced to four months in the workhouse and three first offenders were fined $2 each and one was released.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To Mary Ann McHugh, the next of kin and all other persons interested in Lillian McHugh of Lowell, in said county of Middlesex, minor.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said court by Hattie E. Gildea of Lowell, in the county of Middlesex, praying for the appointment of herself, or some other suitable person, as guardian, and for the custody of said minor.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate court to be held at Lowell, in said county of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1904, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why a guardian should not be appointed and have the custody of said minor as aforesaid.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof to the next of kin of said minor and others interested by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said court, or by delivering a copy thereof to the said Mary Ann McHugh at least seven days before said court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, first judge of said court, this first day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and four.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 4, 1904. The Committee on Public Service will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of governor's address relating to consolidating office of controller of county accounts with that of auditor; part of governor's address relating to uniform system of municipal accounting; and House bill No. 325 to fix salaries of harbor and land commissioners, at room No. 458, State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 9th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. A. Brackett, Chairman. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., Clerk of the Committee.

CARD OF THANKS. The Lowell Firemen's Relief association at the monthly meeting held Feb. 5, instructed the directors to extend their thanks to all persons who so kindly furnished refreshments during the recent big fires, and for all other favors granted. Signed,
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FATALLY WOUNDED

CAR CONDUCTOR HELD UP BY TWO ROBBERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6—Two unidentified robbers shot and fatally wounded George Beckler, a conductor on the Western avenue electric line early today when he resisted their attempts to rob him. The attempted robbery occurred at the northern terminus of the line. The robbers escaped.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Cloudy with rain or snow tonight and Sunday, warmer tonight. Fresh to brisk, east to south winds.

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THE SUN LATEST 5 O'CLOCK

PRIZE FIGHTING

Will be Taken up Again in Boston

Choynski and Kid Carter Not Indicted—Mannix Held on Charge of Forgery

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—"Joe" Choynski and "Kid" Carter of New York and Chicago respectively, who were arrested by order of the Boston police board charged with having engaged in a prize fight, were discharged today in the Suffolk county superior criminal court, the grand jury having failed to find an indictment against them. The arrest of Choynski and Carter was made during a raid at the Criterion Athletic club which was carried out by order of Judge Emmons, chairman of the police board in fulfillment of his announced policy to stop all illegal boxing and prize fighting in the city. Eight other men who were held for the action of the grand jury on the charge of aiding and abetting the fight also were discharged, a "no bill" having been found in each instance. It is understood that the managers of the various athletic clubs where the sparring contests have been held will interpret the report of the grand jury as a ruling that boxing legally may be resumed in Boston.

An indictment charging murder was found against Ray C. Johnson of Burlington, Vt., who is alleged to have shot and killed Mrs. Sadie Peters at a lodging house at the South End.

William F. Mannix was indicted on the charge of forgery. He was arrested on suspicion of having used the name of George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor and also on suspicion of trying to use the name of Gov. Bates.

JURY DISAGREED

In Manslaughter Case Against Rev. Frank W. Sandford

AUBURN, Me., Feb. 6.—The jury, who were out all night on the trial of Rev. Frank W. Sandford for alleged manslaughter, did not return a verdict at the opening of court today as instructed, but remained in their room. Reports were heard that the jury stood 10 to 2 for conviction.

Justice A. R. Savage called in the jury shortly after 10 o'clock and read to them a section of the Massachusetts statutes touching upon the duty of juries to agree. Then he requested them to retire and agree upon a verdict.

County Attorney Skelton stated today that he will not try the remaining four counts charging cruelty this term on account of the fact that so many jurors and people have heard the testimony in this case that their testimony might be affected again, saying he would recall them in a short time. The jury thereupon retired again and when the members again appeared the verdict of "not guilty" was announced.

The jury after an all-night session reported a disagreement this morning on the manslaughter case.

A GREEK WOMAN

Asked in Court if She Killed a Man

SHE WAS NOT OBLIGED TO ANSWER

Joseph Coyle Sent to the State Farm

"Did you kill a man in Greeece?" This rather startling question was asked by Deputy Welch in police court today.

The question was put to Stavrula Kouconlomatis, a Greek woman, witness in the case of James Derdeloco and Chrysaido Kouconlomatis, who were charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation. The woman to whom the question was submitted was a witness for the defendants.

Counsel for the defendants objected to the question.

The court allowed the question but instructed the witness that she was not obliged to answer it. She didn't answer.

Derdeloco went to city hall and got a marriage license, and, the government alleged, convinced the woman that no further ceremony was necessary, and, the police further alleged, the defendants lived as man and wife.

The defendants denied that they had lived together as man and wife and Derdeloco testified that he had a wife and three children in Greece.

It was evident that the facts in the case were being covered up and after a long and tedious attempt to unearth them Judge Hadley dismissed the defendants. He said, however, that he knew there was something in the background that had not been brought out.

TO THE STATE FARM.

The case of Joseph Coyle, charged with being a vagrant, came up on continuance in police court today. When the case was called a few days ago Coyle pleaded not guilty.

Officer O'Brien said he has seen Coyle loafing about Middlesex street for the last two months. He did not know what the boy's habits were.

"Have you any questions to ask?" asked the court of Coyle.

"No," he replied, "I don't believe that officer ever saw me before. I never saw him before."

Officer Dooley, who arrested Coyle from Wyman's lodging house in Middlesex street, said that Coyle has been loafing about the streets for months, sleeping in cheap lodging houses and begging his meals from door to door.

Inspector Donaldson told of a conversation he had with Coyle after the latter's arrest.

Mr. Donaldson said that Coyle told him, in reply to questions, that he had gone to Kentucky a few months ago. He did not pay any fare but managed to get there and back on freight trains. Coyle said he was in Lawrence a few days ago and admitted that he brought back with him a number of razors and shears.

"Where did you get them?" asked the deputy.

"I got them from a fellow I met in Lawrence. I don't know who he was," replied Coyle. He was sentenced to the state farm.

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CHASE MISSING

Alleged That Accounts Are Short

LEADING CHURCH MAN AND OFFICIAL

Church Funds Believed to be Safe

LYNN, Feb. 6.—Harry E. Chase, cashier for E. V. Hyde, treasurer and former Sunday school superintendent of the East Baptist church, is missing, and it is alleged his accounts have been found short several hundred dollars.

Having borne an excellent reputation and been honored and trusted by friends and acquaintances his disappearance has caused a sensation.

Before departing it is stated he made a complete confession to Mr. Hyde, admitting taking money from the cash sales in the grocery store and stating that he did not know how much his peculations would amount to except that they might be several hundred dollars.

Last night the trustees and deacons of the church carefully examined the books and found them correct up to Jan. 16. The investigation will be carried further, but the deacons state that in their opinion the accounts of the church had been faithfully and honestly kept and there was no defalcation.

Mr. Chase is married and left a wife and two children at 69 Allen avenue, where he has made his home for several years. Mrs. Chase is prostrated with the disappearance of her husband and stories of wrong-doing. She has not heard from him, and fears he has become despondent.

Knowlton & Allen's orchestra of Natick, considered the best in the state, will furnish music at the Y. M. C. I. ball next Tuesday evening at Huntington hall.

WOMAN ARRESTED

Charged With Causing Man's Death

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Bessie Healey, 21 years old, is in the hands of the Paterson, N. J., police by whom she is charged with causing the death of James Kohn, 23 years old, son of a wealthy saloonkeeper. The young woman separated from her husband sometime ago on account of Kohn. The husband had called on her just before Kohn was killed. All three spent some time drinking together. Soon after Healey left the woman rushed out of the flat and told the neighbors she had stabbed Kohn with a bread knife because he had threatened to kill her. She went out unconcernedly and a few minutes later was arrested by the police who found Kohn bleeding to death.

GERMAN ARMY

WILL BE MAINTAINED AT PRESENT PEACE STRENGTH.

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—The Reichstag today passed the bill prolonging for one year the maintenance of the army at its present peace strength. It was generally predicted before the last election that the government would attempt to carry a bill this winter increasing the number of troops under arms, but the unsatisfactory financial status of the empire prevented it. It is now believed the government merely postponed the execution of the plan until the next session of the Reichstag.

PANIC STRICKEN

THREE VIOLENT EARTH SHOCKS FOLLOWED BY SLIGHTER ONES.

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 6.—The populations of Baraso and Kesdi Vasarhely were panic stricken by earth shocks at 3.52 this morning. Three violent shocks were followed by four slighter shocks, causing the people to spring from their beds and rush into the streets. No serious damage was done.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY

FROM THE BIGELOW CARPET COMPANY TO TYNGSBORO.

The employes of the Axminster department 10 of the Bigelow Manufacturing company took their annual sleigh ride to Butterfield's farm at Tyngsboro last night. They left the post office at 8 o'clock and made the welkin ring with songs and fish horns. Arriving at the farm the party to the number of 75 sat down to an enjoyable supper served by Mr. Butterfield in his usual good style. The supper was enjoyed by all, and afterward games and dancing to the music of Grosse's hurdy gurdy. The party returned home in the early hours of the morning, a happy crowd. The general manager was Miss N. Shealy, assisted by the Misses E. Tully, Katie Reidy, and bugler Mr. J. Lyons.

IS CRITICALLY ILL.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 6.—Henry W. Oliver, the well known iron and steel master is lying critically ill at his home in Allegheny. Mr. Oliver has not been in good health for sometime past, but last night there was a change for the worse and it was feared he could not survive. This morning, however, he was resting comfortably.

THE LUCKY ONES

AT WOOD'S BIG BUNDLE SALE YESTERDAY.

Below is a list of the lucky ones and the prizes they were awarded at Wood's mammoth bundle sale yesterday. The sale will be continued until further notice. The list follows:

Miss Clara Gagnon, Chelmsford Centre, Alpine diamond cluster, value $3.50.

Mrs. Annie O'Hare, 53 Cedar street, 8-day kitchen clock, cathedral gong, ½ hour strike, value $4.00.

Mrs. William Kittredge, 14 Ralph street, Alpine diamond pin, value $3.50.

Frank Clark, 40 East Pine street, silver fruit dish, value $5.00.

Edward Seymore, North Chelmsford, gent's watch chain, gold filled, value $5.00.

Mrs. Frances Regan, 93 Union street, onyx and gold table, value $20.

George H. Russell, 75 Powell street, Middlesex Steam Laundry, fancy tray, value $2.00.

Mrs. Francis Regan, 93 Union street, gold filled watch, value $10.

Mrs. Leda Lemay, 469 Merrimack street.

M. H. McCue, 781 Broadway street, walnut office clock, value $5.00.

Maria Walsh, 5 Watson street, gold finish clock, value $1.50.

W. Drake, 160 Appleton street, silver fern dish, value $5.

P. F. Mahoney, 162 Crosby street, gold filled gents' chain.

William Callahan, 75 Bartlett street, clock, value $1.

J. Daley, 118 Appleton street, tray, value $2.

Mary Hill, 308 High street, clock, value $2.25.

Mary McDonald, 306 High street, silver ladle, value $3.

M. S. Taisey, 109 Central street, gold opal ring, value $3.50.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, clock, value $1.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, locket, value $1.50.

R. Denault, 41 Jewett street, hat brush, value $1.50.

W. Vigeant, 102 Ford street, charm, value $1.50.

Margaret Murphy, 53 Cedar street, walnut case clock, 8-day strike.

John McElroy, 305 Fairmount street, combination set, cream ladle, sugar spoon and butter knife.

Mrs. Arthur Locke, 3 Coral street, hat brush, value $2.

Norman Bell, 23 Second street, watch for boy.

STOCK WATERED

CHARGE MADE AGAINST A PLANTATION COMPANY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6—Two suits of stockholders' liabilities filed today by the Hana plantation company allege that the stock of that corporation, which owns one of the oldest sugar plantations in the Hawaiian Islands, was watered from $300,000 to the extent of $5,000,000. The suits are filed by the present board of directors in the name of the company against directors who had charge of the company's affairs in the past. The former directors are charged with having given away and distributed among themselves 15,000 shares of capital stock and of having incurred debts of $235,551 in excess of the amount permitted by the state laws. The giving away of the shares of stock is alleged to be a violation of the state constitution.

MUNITIONS OF WAR

INTENDED FOR GENERAL JIMINEZ WERE SEIZED.

CAPE HAYTIEN Hayti, Feb. 6—Quantities of munitions of war intended for Gen. Jiminez, the Dominican revolutionary leader, were seized at Puerta Plata on the northern coast of the republic of Santo Domingo yesterday after having been landed there from the Clyde line steamer New York from New York Jan. 30.

RADIUM EXHIBIT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Dr. George F. Kunzle, of this city, special agent of the United States geological survey, has been appointed commissioner of the radium exhibit at the St. Louis exposition and has been authorized to prepare and procure material therefor, comprising radio-active substances of all kinds and also exhibits to illustrate the action of radium compounds, ultra violet light and Roentgen rays upon mineral and chemical substances. This exhibit is to be made by the United States geological survey in the United States government building at St. Louis. There will be a second exhibit of radium and radio-active substances in the mines building.

COLONEL JOHNSON DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Colonel Geo. W. Johnson, chaplain of Clarence MacKenzie post, G. A. R., in Brooklyn and who served in the Civil war with the Fifth Minnesota volunteers, is dead. He was attacked while reading the burial service over another member of the post, and died within a few minutes, surrounded by his comrades.

BRITISH SHIP ASHORE.

RANGOON, India, Feb. 6.—The British ship Laomene (Capt. Hughes from Philadelphia, Oct. 12, for Rangoon) is ashore on the Alguada reef and will probably become a wreck. There has been no loss of life.

PUBLIC HEARING

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

On Wednesday evening next a hearing will be given by the appropriations committee to hear what suggestions the public may have to make in regard to the making of department appropriations.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Cotton futures opened weak. March, 14.06 a 14.38; April, 14.09; May, 14.25 a 14.05; June, 14.24; July, 14.29 a 14.08; Aug. 13.60 a 13.52; Sept., 12.60; Oct., 11.94 a 11.83.

BOARD OF TRADE STATEMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The January statement of the board of trade shows decreases of $1,163,500 in imports and $4,191,500 in exports.

Gen. Adelbert Ames Command

There will be a meeting next Monday at 7.30 p.m. of the Ladies' auxiliary which was formed last Wednesday in Memorial hall. There was a large assembly last Wednesday and there promises to be an exceptionally large gathering of the wives, sisters and mothers next Monday. Signed,

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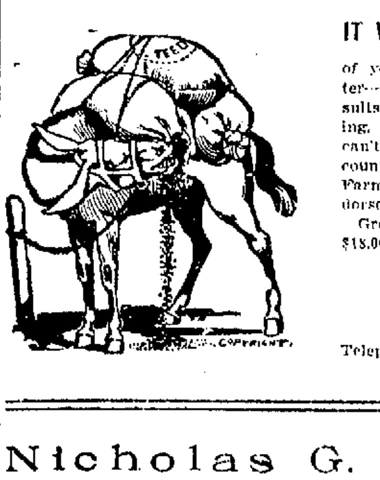

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Exciting Incidents at Fire in Boston

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Fire that broke out shortly before 11 o'clock last night created considerable consternation among the occupants of the four-story apartment house, 6 St. Paul street, Back Bay. With the hallways and rooms rapidly filling with smoke from the fire in the basement, the tenants, many of whom had retired for the night, were forced to flee for safety in their nightclothes.

One young woman who had made her escape from the third floor became so excited that she dashed back into the house and made her way to her room through the dense smoke. Arriving on the third floor she became frightened and was nearly unconscious from the smoke when she managed to drag herself to the front window and cry for help. A ladder was run up and she was brought down in safety.

For the first few minutes after the fire was discovered there was somewhat of a panic among the occupants, but all succeeded in getting out. The fire was attended at the same time with amusing incidents, but which in no wise appeared as such to the men and women who were trying to get out into the open air.

RAN THROUGH THE STREET.

Mrs. E. M. Libby occupies the second floor, and Mrs. Esther Hill and Miss McCully room with her. At the first cry of fire Mrs. Hill jumped from her bed, and clad only in her nightdress and slippers, dashed down the stairs through the smoke and ran through Norway street up to the corner of Massachusetts avenue. The sight of a woman so lightly clad running madly through the snow-covered streets with the thermometer below the freezing point, was a cause of wonderment to many who saw the performance, and upon her return to the house there followed in her wake a large and curious throng.

Mrs. Hall was clearly exhausted and completely chilled by her experience, and was given shelter by neighbors until the fire was put out, when she returned to her own apartments.

Up on the third floor the inmates were also having their share of excitement. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are the occupants and have as lodgers Miss Helen Peters and Miss Rose Henley. All four managed to make their way down through the smoke. When on the sidewalk it occurred to Miss Henley that she had gathered up most of her belongings, but had left a valuable coat behind. Without a word she ran back into the building and fought her way upstairs. There she became nearly exhausted and with difficulty gained the front window.

Her cries for help were heard by the firemen, who by that time felt that every one was safely out of the house. A ladder was quickly put up, and ladderman Charles A. Wolfe ran up and taking the young woman in his arms carried her down in safety once more.

On the fourth floor lives Miss Della Hayes, who conducts a lodging house. She had just retired and was awakened first by the clang of the fire engine gongs. She looked out of the window and then ran to the door leading into the hallway. The smoke puffed in her face and she was forced back. With no other means of escape Mrs. Hayes, in her night dress climbed up the narrow ladder to the roof and made her way across to the roof of the house numbered 8, adjoining on the south. The woman was forced to pound on the skylight for several minutes before the occupants of the house realized her predicament and opened the skylight from the inside. She then made her way down the ladder and went into the apartments of the family on the top floor where she was cared for until the fire was out.

At the same time George Forbes, who lodged with Mrs. Hayes, was aroused from his sleep in his room. He was dazed with the smoke and in the excitement gathered up his clothing and dashed down the stairs with the bundle under his arm. He found his way into a room on the second floor and there dressed himself partially and made his way out in safety.

During the fire Mrs. Libby was much affected by the possible loss of her pet canary, which was in the dining room of her flat. She besought the firemen to go up and get it for her, but they were too busy putting the fire out. Finally she appealed to patrolman Brock, and not in vain, as he finally went up and brought the bird down.

The property is owned by Arthur S. Tucker. The loss will be about $300.

GEORGE GARDNER

Is Matched to Meet Kid Carter

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—George Gardner of Lowell, Mass., and "Kid" Carter of Brooklyn, have been matched to go six rounds before the Milwaukee boxing club on Feb. 19.

JACKSON GETS DECISION.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 6.—"Young Peter Jackson," a colored welterweight boxer of this city, got the decision over Mike Donovan of Rochester, N. Y., in their 15-round contest before the Eureka athletic and social club. The decision of the referee was not at all objectionable to the white man.

NELSON BEATS JACK O'NEIL.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—Battling Nelson of Chicago, got the decision over Jack O'Neil of Philadelphia, after six fierce rounds before the Badger A. C. last night.

WEAK OPENING

Trading in Cotton Only Moderately Active

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The buying of cotton yesterday supposed to be for a bull pool in order to regain control of the market came to naught again today when a sensational break in Liverpool, very threatening news from the far east, heavy estimated receipts and a bearish visible supply statement rendered the local bears more confident than ever. The New York market opened weak at a loss of 40 a 55 points which had been increased to 52 a 76 points on the active months before the call was completed, with March selling as low as 13.88, May at 14.05 and July at 14.08. Following this there was considerable covering and prices rallied a few points from the bottom but every trifling bulge brought out fresh pressure. The market ruled very feverish and irregular. The New Orleans market opened at a decline of 30 a 39 points and there was little sign of New Orleans buying in the local market. Trading after the call was only moderately active.

LIVERPOOL MARKET STEADY.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 6.—The cotton market opened steady with prices irregular. There was a large business but not much excitement until the last hour when prices gave way, in some cases 25 points from the highest. Later they rallied a little but again weakened, closing 4 to 12 points lower than yesterday's closing, except October and November which was one point higher.

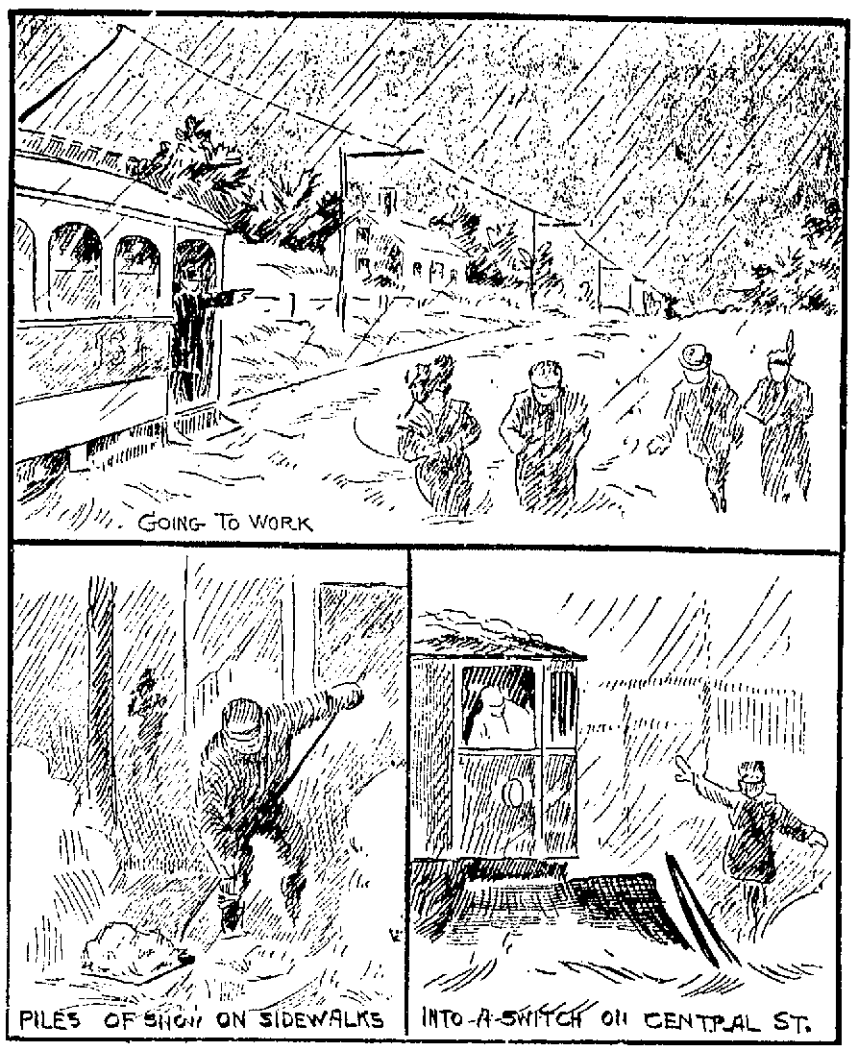
NEGRO SAILORS

TO TAKE THE PLACES OF STRIKERS.

BOSTON, Feb 6—Six West Indian negro sailors arrived from New York city today by rail to take the places of some of the union seamen who are now on strike at this port. The sailors were met at the south terminal by a squad of police and escorted to Atlantic avenue, but they experienced no trouble of any kind.

WOOLEN MILLS SOLD.

MONSON, Mass., Feb. 6—The Golden Red Woolen mills here, which have been in financial difficulties, have been sold to Thomas G. and Henry Lancey of Pittsfield, Me. The Lanceys expect to reopen the plant within a month.



EARLY MORNING SKETCHES IN THE STORM.

ANOTHER STORM

Car Service Badly Disabled by the Snow

After enjoying open winters for the past several years the old fashioned winter this year has been very troublesome, for besides the intensely cold days, we have had enough snow for several seasons; but the snow still continues to come and according to the weather clerk we have a few more good storms coming to us before the spring sets in.

A storm started this morning shortly after midnight and while the snowfall was not heavy it caused the street railroad company considerable trouble, owing to the sudden drop in the temperature which caused the snow to freeze on the rails. As soon as the snow started word was sent to the power house to get the ploughs out and during the early hours of the morning seventeen snow ploughs were plying their way over the different routes throughout the city and the suburbs, and when the first cars went out this morning the tracks were in fairly good condition.

The mill operatives who depend upon the cars managed for the most part to get to their work on time, but between 6.30 and seven o'clock the temperature took a sudden drop and the coating of snow which was on the rails started to freeze, then the fun began. The cars went pretty well on the level but when an upgrade was reached, no matter how slight the motormen found trouble. In many cases sand was used with good effect, but on steep upgrades the cars were unable to advance.

Owing to the fact that there was considerable snow between the rails since the last two storms the diggers on the ploughs and cars could not get down close enough to the rails to clear all of the snow off, and this made it difficult to keep the tracks clear. The short lines are in fairly good condition, but the long routes are in the worst shape and to add to the trouble of frost rails on the suburban lines, the snow falls back on and between the rails so rapidly that it is very difficult to keep the line open.

After 6.30 o'clock the cars were running on any old schedule and the Christian Hill car which is due in Merrimack square at 6.32 failed to reach there until 7.20, the worst trouble being encountered on the slight upgrade from the terminus of the line at Methuen street to Tenth street. The conductors on the cars were kept busy sweeping the rails while the motormen plied the sand in order to get the car up the grade.

The first Boston car came in on pretty good time but the cars after that had a great deal of trouble as did the Lawrence, Nashua, Billerica and Chelmsford Centre lines.

Supt. of Construction O'Donnell was on the scene early this morning with his snow plough and had over 100 men at work in an attempt to keep the lines open and in this he was pretty successful. A fine sleet started shortly before 10 o'clock and the railroad men said that if it continued it would put the road out of commission, but luckily it lasted but a few minutes, though the storm threatens to turn into sleet.

The motormen have found it very difficult to cover the stretches of road on which there are grooved rails, for it is almost impossible to keep these rails clear, the grooves being so small, and they are continually filled with fine snow, which freezes rapidly.

An accident happened in the early morning which had it occurred during the day would have tied up the electric car traffic in the city for quite a while. While one of the big ploughs was coming through Central street about 2 o'clock one of the blades of the plough struck the frog at the corner of Central and Prescott streets and ripped the switch almost out of its socket, twisting it in a manner which made it impossible to straighten it without taking it to the power house.

The spikes were taken out of the frog and it was placed on one of the ploughs and taken to the blacksmith shop at the power house, where it was straightened and placed in position again.

THE STEAM RAILROAD.

The storm struck the Boston & Maine railroad pretty hard and all of the trains running into the Northern station were between 25 and 30 minutes late. The most trouble is encountered from trains from the north and the majority of these trains coming into the city have been so completely covered with snow and frost that they present a most picturesque sight.

Nearly all of the ploughs on the railroad were started out early this morning and extra help has been hired to keep the tracks clear.

The street department did not put on any extra men today as the result of the storm but are working with a crew of 650 men and several hired teams.

FORCED TO STEAL

Landscape Artist is Under Arrest

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Forced to steal, according to his own confession, in order to provide food for his wife and children and to save his family from eviction, George P. Osborne, a well-known landscape artist of this city, was arrested today by a headquarters' detective, charged with larceny. Unable to find a market for any of his pictures, Osborne was driven to find employment in painting signs in a clothing store. He got little money for this and because his children were hungry, he said, he stole several garments and pawned them. He was detected and arrested.

EXCHANGES AND BALANCES.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Exchanges, $21,644,699; balances, $1,816,929.

Exchanges for the week: $138,482,059; corresponding week last year, $144,520,633.

Balances for the week: $9,828,111; corresponding week last year, $12,274,842.

BANK RECORDS BROKEN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—For three consecutive weeks the bank statement has broken all previous records as regards aggregate of loans and deposits. The grand total of loans is now $998,850,800, while deposits have grown to the unprecedented sum of $1,027,156,500.

GAINED FAME AS CARVER.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Robert Ellin, who had an international reputation as a stone and wood carver, is dead at his home in Yonkers from heart failure. He came from England in 1867 and was looked upon as the founder of the artistic stone carving business in the United States. Many of the finest homes in New York were ornamented by him.

Y. M. C. I. ball, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening. Elaborate decorations. Knowlton & Allen's orchestra, of Natick, the best in the state.

REPORT OF DEATHS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

Jan.
27—Lizzie M. Hadley, 60, pernicious anemia.
29—Marie C. C. Drolet, 3 mos., marasmus.
30—Dorothy A. Lawrence, 24, carcinoma.
Benjamin W. Waterhouse, 74, la grippe.
Olive Wiggin, 85, cong. of lungs.
31—Samuel W. Preston, 88, general debility.
Empsell Smith, 61, heart disease.
Annie B. Love, 39, pulm. tuberculosis.
Napoleon Bergeron, 31, empyemia.
Feb.
1—John Butler, 56, pneumonia.
Arthur Riopelle, 32, pneumonia.
Annie Taylor, 18, epilepsy.
Cyrille Beauchesne, 1, acute indigestion.
Palmira Cotta, 21 days, cyanosis.
George J. Parent, 1 day, prem. birth.
Sarah Blanchard, 78, disease of heart.
Caroline A. Richardson, 72, appendicitis.
Frances E. Wilson, 1 mo., entero colitis.
Marie Tremble, 1 day, marasmus.
2—Michael Reed, 61, Bright's disease.
Margaret Butler, 18, pneumonia.
Bryan German, 69, nephritis.
3—Edward W. Hall, 22, tuberculosis.
4—Rose E. Hammond, 8 mos., cap. bronchitis.
5—Ellen Vomvori, 2, pneumonia.
Betsey A. Sweetsir, 93, senile debility.

GIRARD P. DADMAN, City Clerk.

MAY BE DISABLED

STEAMER IS SEEKING A PLACE OF REFUGE.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 6—A large side-wheel steamer which appeared to be seeking a refuge from the storm was seen in the lower harbor today. Her identity could not be ascertained because of the thick weather. The steamer was unable to enter the harbor because of ice. The storm had increased almost to a hurricane at noon. The steamer is thought to be one of the Boston-Bangor boats, possibly disabled.

MORE FACTORIES CLOSED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6—Seven more carriage and wagon factories have closed because of the demands of the union for increased wages and a closed shop. These are now 101 factories shut down and 1058 carriage and wagon workers idle.

BOUGHT BY MORGAN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—J. P. Morgan has purchased the Lewis Sayre Burchard collection of Norman French romances, for which several universities and colleges of America have been negotiating.

BUTLER IS FREE

Millionaire Politician Acquitted by Jury

FULTON, Mo., Feb. 6.—Edward Butler of St. Louis, the millionaire politician who has been on trial on a charge of bribing members of the St. Louis house of delegates to secure the passage of a city lighting bill in 1899, was acquitted today by a jury in Judge Graves' court. When the jury first came in today they reported that they were unable to agree.

"Is there any prospect of your reaching an early decision?" asked the court.

"I cannot say," replied Foreman Rosser, "we are still considering the case."

Judge Gray thereupon requested the jury to retire. Later they reported their verdict.

AUTOMOBILE RUN

LARGEST AND LONGEST EVER HELD HERE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Plans are being made for the largest and longest automobile endurance run ever held in this country. In connection with the endurance run itself, it is also hoped to hold a series of club runs, all to have St. Louis for their goal. If proper arrangements can be made, the race track at St. Louis may be secured for a week or more at the close of the run and races and exhibition runs will be held.

Those who have been discussing the subject are inclined to believe that sometime in June, probably from the middle to the end of the month would be the most acceptable time for the run. It is proposed that the main event, the endurance run, shall start from this city and from one week to ten days will be given to reach St. Louis.

ON SHORT TIME

COTTON MILLS IN CHICOPEE WILL BE RUN.

CHICOPEE, Mass., Feb. 6—The Dwight Manufacturing company today shut down cotton mills No. 1, 2, 3 and 4 here and hereafter these mills will be inoperative five days each week until the conditions of the market permit a greater manufacture of cloth. As yet the Chicopee Manufacturing company at the Falls has done nothing in the way of shortening the hours per week, although such action would not be unexpected, as cotton mills in this part of the state are finding it necessary to curtail their output.

DANGER OF FLOOD

IS INCREASED BY THE STEADY THAWS.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 6—The steady thaw which began last night is hourly increasing the danger of a flood. The Susquehanna river here and for 30 miles above is covered with thick ice frozen solid from bank to bank. No perceptible rise has yet been observed, but there is such a great depth of snow on the hills that when it begins to melt the creeks will be swollen and a large quantity of water will pour into the river. Residents along the banks are preparing to move and the railroads have increased their force of track walkers.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6—The stock market opened easy. Amalgamated Copper, 40; Atchison, 67 7-8 and 68; Baltimore & Ohio, 81 1-2; Brooklyn Transit, 40; Canadian Pacific, 116 1-2; Erie, 26 1-8; do first pfd., 64 3-4; Louisville, 104; Manhattan, 141 3-4; Missouri Pacific, 90 5-8; New York Central, 117 3-4; Norfolk & Western, 59; Ontario & Western, 21 1-2; Penna., 116 1-2; Reading, 43; Rock Island, 22 5-8; Sugar, 124 1-8; St. Paul, 141 3-8; Southern Pacific, 47 1-8; Southern Ry., 21 1-4; Texas Pacific, 24; Union Pacific, 78 5-8; U. S. Steel, 10 3-4; do pfd., 54 3-4; Wabash pfd., 35 3-4.

COLDEST DAY YET.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., Feb. 6—With the mercury 50 degrees below zero, today was without exception the coldest known in many years. The mercury was reported as frozen for hours in several places in this vicinity. The weather was hazy and there was no wind.

APPOINTED A SENATOR.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—Privy Councillor Zaenger has been relieved of the portfolio of the ministry of public instruction at his own request, owing to ill health, and has been appointed a senator.

GAS CO. HEARING

At Tuesday's Meeting of of Aldermen

The board of aldermen will meet on Tuesday evening next and unless a special meeting of the lower branch is called by the mayor between now and then there will be no meeting of the common council on that evening. The upper branch will give a hearing on the petition of the Chelmsford Gaslight company to lay pipes, etc., in the streets of Lowell, offering to pay the city $25,000 for the franchise.

LARGELY ATTENDED

FUNERAL OF THE LATE GEORGE A. PARKHURST.

The funeral of George A. Parkhurst took place from his late home in Chelmsford this afternoon and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. Present at the services were representatives of the G. A. R. of this city, and also a delegation from Chelmsford lodge, I. O. O. F. Services were held at the house at 1.30 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Shurtleff and at two o'clock the public service was held at the Unitarian church in that town, Rev. Mr. Shurtleff officiating. During the service there was appropriate singing by a choir which was augmented for the occasion. The interment was in Forefathers' cemetery in Chelmsford.

AN ELECTRONOMETER

NEW INSTRUMENT INVENTED BY RESEARCH WORKERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The capillary electronometer, a new instrument, delicate enough to register the minute discharges of electricity in nerves and muscles has been invented by research workers in the physiology laboratory at the University of Chicago. The invention will greatly aid the cure of lockjaw they hope, and be of great use in nervous diseases.

All life action is chemical and electrical, the inventors believe and by the action of the electrical discharge from a moving muscle of the mercury in the tube the amount of energy expended may be gauged.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Money on call closed nominal, no loans today. Prime mercantile paper 4¾ @ 5¼ per cent.; sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 485.55 @ 485.60 for demand and at 482.90 @ 483 for 60 days; posted rates 483½ and 486 @ ½; commercial bills 482 @ ¼.

Bar silver 55½, Mexican dollars 43, government bonds, steady, railroad bonds easy.

Exchanges $194,011,148; balances $9,494,105.

For the week: Exchanges $1,261,263,858; balances $80,192,591.

Total clearings of all the bank clearing houses throughout the United States for the week ending today were $2,164,928,441, a decrease of 10.5 per cent. compared with the corresponding period last year.

CLEARING HOUSE BANKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans increase $4,298,700; deposits increase $3,212,700; circulation decrease $11,219,600; legal tenders decrease $2,972,500; specie increase $489,400; reserve decrease $2,483,100; reserve required increase $803,175; surplus $21,842,775; decrease $3,286,275; ex-United States deposits $31,056,100; decrease $3,237,700.

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THE SUN LATEST 5 O'CLOCK

PRIZE FIGHTING

Will be Taken up Again in Boston

Choynski and Kid Carter Not Indicted—Mannix Held on Charge of Forgery

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—"Joe" Choynski and "Kid" Carter of New York and Chicago respectively, who were arrested by order of the Boston police board charged with having engaged in a prize fight, were discharged today in the Suffolk county superior criminal court, the grand jury having failed to find an indictment against them. The arrest of Choynski and Carter was made during a raid at the Criterion Athletic club which was carried out by order of Judge Emmons, chairman of the police board in fulfillment of his announced policy to stop all illegal boxing and prize fighting in the city. Eight other men who were held for the action of the grand jury on the charge of aiding and abetting the fight also were discharged, a "no bill" having been found in each instance. It is understood that the managers of the various athletic clubs where the sparring contests have been held will interpret the report of the grand jury as a ruling that boxing legally may be resumed in Boston.

An indictment charging murder was found against Ray C. Johnson of Burlington, Vt., who is alleged to have shot and killed Mrs. Sadie Peters at a lodging house at the South End.

William F. Mannix was indicted on the charge of forgery. He was arrested on suspicion of having used the name of George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor and also on suspicion of trying to use the name of Gov. Bates.

JURY DISAGREED

In Manslaughter Case Against Rev. Frank W. Sandford

AUBURN, Me., Feb. 6.—The jury, who were out all night on the trial of Rev. Frank W. Sandford for alleged manslaughter, did not return a verdict at the opening of court today as instructed, but remained in their room. Reports were heard that the jury stood 10 to 2 for conviction.

Justice A. R. Savage called in the jury shortly after 10 o'clock and read to them a section of the Massachusetts statutes touching upon the duty of juries to agree. Then he requested them to retire and agree upon a verdict.

County Attorney Skelton stated today that he will not try the remaining four counts charging cruelty this term on account of the fact that so many jurors and people have heard the testimony in this case that their testimony might be affected again, saying he would recall them in a short time. The jury thereupon retired again and when the members again appeared the verdict of "not guilty" was announced.

The jury after an all-night session reported a disagreement this morning on the manslaughter case.

A GREEK WOMAN

Asked in Court if She Killed a Man

SHE WAS NOT OBLIGED TO ANSWER

Joseph Coyle Sent to the State Farm

"Did you kill a man in Greece?" This rather startling question was asked by Deputy Welch in police court today.

The question was put to Stavrula Konconlomatis, a Greek woman, witness in the case of James Derdeloco and Chrysulio Konconlomatis, who were charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation. The woman to whom the question was submitted was a witness for the defendants.

Counsel for the defendants objected to the question.

The court allowed the question but instructed the witness that she was not obliged to answer it. She didn't answer.

Derdeloco went to city hall and got a marriage license, and, the government alleged, convinced the woman that no further ceremony was necessary, and, the police further alleged, the defendants lived as man and wife.

The defendants denied that they had lived together as man and wife and Derdeloco testified that he had a wife and three children in Greece.

It was evident that the facts in the case were being covered up and after a long and tedious attempt to unearth them Judge Hadley dismissed the defendants. He said, however, that he knew there was something in the background that had not been brought out.

TO THE STATE FARM.

The case of Joseph Coyle, charged with being a vagrant, came up on continuance in police court today. When the case was called a few days ago Coyle pleaded not guilty.

Officer O'Brien said he has seen Coyle loafing about Middlesex street for the last two months. He did not know what the boy's habits were.

"Have you any questions to ask?" asked the court of Coyle.

"No," he replied, "I don't believe that officer ever saw me before. I never saw him before."

Officer Dooley, who arrested Coyle from Wyman's lodging house in Middlesex street, said that Coyle has been loafing about the streets for months, sleeping in cheap lodging houses and begging his meals from door to door.

Inspector Donaldson told of a conversation he had with Coyle after the latter's arrest.

Mr. Donaldson said that Coyle told him, in reply to questions, that he had gone to Kentucky a few months ago. He did not pay any fare but managed to get there and back on freight trains. Coyle said he was in Lawrence a few days ago and admitted that he brought back with him a number of razors and shears.

"Where did you get them?" asked the deputy.

"I got them from a fellow I met in Lawrence, I don't know who he was," replied Coyle. He was sentenced to the state farm.

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CHASE MISSING

Alleged That Accounts Are Short

LEADING CHURCH MAN AND OFFICIAL

Church Funds Believed to be Safe

LYNN, Feb. 6.—Harry E. Chase, cashier for E. V. Hyde, treasurer and former Sunday school superintendent of the East Baptist church, is missing, and it is alleged his accounts have been found short several hundred dollars.

Having borne an excellent reputation and been honored and trusted by friends and acquaintances his disappearance has caused a sensation.

Before departing it is stated he made a complete confession to Mr. Hyde, admitting taking money from the cash sales in the grocery store and stating that he did not know how much his peculations would amount to except that they might be several hundred dollars.

Last night the trustees and deacons of the church carefully examined the books and found them correct up to Jan. 16. The investigation will be carried further, but the deacons state that in their opinion the accounts of the church had been faithfully and honestly kept and there was no defalcation.

Mr. Chase is married and left a wife and two children at 69 Allen avenue, where he has made his home for several years. Mrs. Chase is prostrated with the disappearance of her husband and stories of wrong-doing. She has not heard from him, and fears he has become despondent.

Knowlton & Allen's orchestra of Natick, considered the best in the state, will furnish music at the Y. M. C. I. hall next Tuesday evening at Huntington hall.

WOMAN ARRESTED

Charged With Causing Man's Death

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Bessie Henley, 21 years old, is in the hands of the Paterson, N. J., police by whom she is charged with causing the death of James Kohn, 23 years old, son of a wealthy saloonkeeper. The young woman separated from her husband sometime ago on account of Kohn. The husband had called on her just before Kohn was killed. All three spent some time drinking together. Soon after Henley left the woman rushed out of the flat and told the neighbors she had stabbed Kohn with a bread knife because he had threatened to kill her. She went out unconcernedly and a few minutes later was arrested by the police who found Kohn bleeding to death.

GERMAN ARMY

WILL BE MAINTAINED AT PRESENT PEACE STRENGTH.

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—The Reichstag today passed the bill prolonging for one year the maintenance of the army at its present peace strength. It was generally predicted before the last election that the government would attempt to carry a bill this winter increasing the number of troops under arms; but, the unsatisfactory financial status of the empire prevented it. It is now believed the government merely postponed the execution of the plan until the next session of the Reichstag.

PANIC STRICKEN

THREE VIOLENT EARTH SHOCKS FOLLOWED BY SLIGHTER ONES.

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 6.—The populations of Harasso and Kesdi Vasserhely were panic stricken by earth shocks at 3.52 this morning. Three violent shocks were followed by four slighter shocks, causing the people to spring from their beds and rush into the streets. No serious damage was done.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY

FROM THE BIGELOW CARPET COMPANY TO TYNGSBORO.

The employes of the Axminster department of the Bigelow Manufacturing company took their annual sleigh ride to Butterfield's farm at Tyngsboro last night. They left the post office at 8 o'clock and made the welkin ring with songs and fish horns. Arriving at the farm the party to the number of 75 sat down to an enjoyable supper served by Mr. Butterfield in his usual good style. The supper was enjoyed by all, and afterward games and dancing to the music of Grosse's hurdy gurdy. The party returned home in the early hours of the morning, a happy crowd. The general manager was Miss N. Shedy, assisted by the Misses E. Tully, Katie Reddy, and backer Mr. J. Lyons.

IS CRITICALLY ILL.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 6.—Henry W. Oliver, the well known iron and steel master is lying critically ill at his home in Allegheny. Mr. Oliver has not been in good health for sometime past, but last night there was a change for the worse and it was feared he could not survive. This morning, however, he was resting comfortably.

THE LUCKY ONES

AT WOOD'S BIG BUNDLE SALE YESTERDAY.

Below is a list of the lucky ones and the prizes they were awarded at Wood's mammoth bundle sale yesterday. The sale will be continued until further notice. The list follows:

Miss Clara Gagnon, Chelmsford Centre, Alpine diamond cluster, value $3.50.

Mrs. Annie O'Hare, 53 Cedar street, 8-day kitchen clock, cathedral gong, ½ hour strike, value $4.00.

Mrs. William Kittredge, 14 Ralph street, Alpine diamond pin, value $3.50.

Frank Clark, 40 East Pine street, silver fruit dish, value $5.00.

Edward Seymore, North Chelmsford, gent's watch chain, gold filled, value $5.00.

Mrs. Frances Regan, 93 Union street, onyx and gold table, value $20.

George H. Russell, 75 Powell street, Middlesex Steam Laundry, fancy tray, value $2.00.

Mrs. Francis Regan, 93 Union street, gold filled watch, value $10.

Mrs. Leda Lemay, 469 Merrimack street.

M. H. McCue, 781 Broadway street, walnut office clock, value $5.00.

Maria Walsh, 5 Watson street, gold finish clock, value $1.50.

W. Drake, 160 Appleton street, silver fern dish, value $5.

P. F. Mahoney, 162 Crosby street, gold filled gents' chain.

William Callahan, 75 Hartlett street, clock, value $1.

J. Daley, 118 Appleton street, tray, value $2.

Mary Hill, 308 High street, clock, value $2.25.

Mary McDonald, 308 High street, silver ladle, value $3.

M. S. Talsey, 108 Central street, gold opal ring, value $3.50.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, clock, value $1.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, locket, value $1.50.

B. Denault, 41 Jewett street, hat brush, value $1.50.

W. Vigeant, 102 Ford street, charm, value $1.50.

Margaret Murphy, 53 Cedar street, walnut case clock, 8-day strike.

John McElroy, 305 Fairmount street, combination set, cream ladle, sugar spoon and butter knife.

Mrs. Arthur Locke, 3 Coral street, hat brush, value $2.

Norman Bell, 23 Second street, watch for boy.

STOCK WATERED

CHARGE MADE AGAINST A PLANTATION COMPANY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Two suits of stockholders' liabilities filed today by the Hana plantation company allege that the stock of that corporation, which owns one of the oldest sugar plantations in the Hawaiian islands, was watered from $300,000 to the extent of $5,000,000. The suits are filed by the present board of directors in the name of the company against directors who had charge of the company's affairs in the past. The former directors are charged with having given away and distributed among themselves 15,000 shares of capital stock and of having incurred debts of $225,681 in excess of the amount permitted by the state laws. The giving away of the shares of stock is alleged to be a violation of the state constitution.

MUNITIONS OF WAR

INTENDED FOR GENERAL JIMINEZ WERE SEIZED.

CAPE HAYTIEN, Hayti, Feb. 6.—Quantities of munitions of war intended for Gen. Jimenez, the Dominican revolutionary leader, were seized at Puerta Plata on the northern coast of the republic of Santo Domingo yesterday after having been landed there from the Clyde line steamer New York from New York Jan. 30.

RADIUM EXHIBIT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Dr. George F. Kunzig, of this city, special agent of the United States geological survey, has been appointed commissioner of the radium exhibit at the St. Louis exposition and has been authorized to prepare and procure material therefor, comprising radio-active substances of all kinds and also exhibits to illustrate the action of radium compounds, ultra violet light and Roentgen rays upon mineral and chemical substances. This exhibit is to be made by the United States geological survey in the United States government building at St. Louis. There will be a second exhibit of radium and radio-active substances in the mines building.

COLONEL JOHNSON DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Colonel Geo. W. Johnson, chaplain of Clarence MacKenzie post, G. A. R., in Brooklyn and who served in the Civil war with the Fifth Minnesota volunteers, is dead. He was attacked while reading the burial service over another member of the post, and died within a few minutes, surrounded by his comrades.

BRITISH SHIP ASHORE.

RANGOON, India, Feb. 6.—The British ship Laomene (Capt. Hughes from Philadelphia, Oct. 12, for Rangoon) is ashore on the Alguada reef and will probably become a wreck. There has been no loss of life.

Gen. Adelbert Ames Command

There will be a meeting next Monday at 7.30 p.m. of the Ladies' auxiliary which was formed last Wednesday in Memorial hall. There was a large assembly last Wednesday and there promises to be an exceptionally large gathering of the wives, sisters and mothers next Monday. Signed,
M. H. HARRINGTON, Capt.
WM. J. GOODWIN, Adjt.

PUBLIC HEARING

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

On Wednesday evening next a hearing will be given by the appropriations committee to hear what suggestions the public may have to make in regard to the making of department appropriations.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Cotton futures opened week, March, 14.09 a 14.38; April, 14.03; May, 14.25 a 14.05; June, 14.24; July, 14.29 a 14.08; Aug. 13.60 a 13.52; Sept., 12.60; Oct., 11.94 a 11.83.

BOARD OF TRADE STATEMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The January statement of the board of trade shows decreases of $1,163,500 in imports and $4,101,500 in exports.

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FIREMEN SAVED LIFE OF WOMAN

Exciting Incidents at Fire in Boston

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Fire that broke out shortly before 11 o'clock last night created considerable consternation among the occupants of the four-story apartment house, 6 St. Paul street, Back Bay. With the hallways and rooms rapidly filling with smoke from the fire in the basement, the tenants, many of whom had retired for the night, were forced to flee for safety in their nightclothes.

One young woman who had made her escape from the third floor became so excited that she dashed back into the house and made her way to her room through the dense smoke. Arriving on the third floor she became frightened and was nearly unconscious from the smoke when she managed to drag herself to the front window and cry for help. A ladder was run up and she was brought down in safety.

For the first few minutes after the fire was discovered there was somewhat of a panic among the occupants, but all succeeded in getting out. The fire was attended at the same time with amusing incidents, but which in no wise appeared as such to the men and women who were trying to get out into the open air.

RAN THROUGH THE STREET.

Mrs. E. M. Libby occupies the second floor, and Mrs. Esther Hill and Miss McCully room with her. At the first cry of fire Mrs. Hill jumped from her bed, and clad only in her nightdress and slippers, dashed down the stairs through the smoke and ran through Norway street up to the corner of Massachusetts avenue. The sight of a woman so lightly clad running madly through the snow-covered streets with the thermometer below the freezing point, was a cause of wonderment to many who saw the performance, and upon her return to the house there followed in her wake a large and curious throng.

Mrs. Hall was clearly exhausted and completely chilled by her experience, and was given shelter by neighbors until the fire was put out, when she returned to her own apartments.

Up on the third floor the inmates were also having their share of excitement. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are the occupants and have as lodgers Miss Helen Peters and Miss Rose Henley. All four managed to make their way down through the smoke. When on the sidewalk it occurred to Miss Henley that she had gathered up most of her belongings, but had left a valuable coat behind. Without a word she ran back into the building and fought her way upstairs. There she became nearly exhausted and with difficulty gained the front window.

Her cries for help were heard by the firemen, who by that time felt that every one was safely out of the house. A ladder was quickly put up, and laddersman Charles A. Wolfe ran up and taking the young woman in his arms carried her down in safety once more.

On the fourth floor lives Miss Della Hayes, who conducts a lodging house. She had just retired and was awakened first by the clang of the fire engine gongs. She looked out of the window and then ran to the door leading into the hallway. The smoke puffed in her face and she was forced back. With no other means of escape Mrs. Hayes, in her night dress climbed up the narrow ladder to the roof and made her way across to the roof of the house numbered 8, adjoining on the south. The woman was forced to pound on the skylight for several minutes before the occupants of the house realized her predicament and opened the skylight from the inside. She then made her way down the ladder and went into the apartments of the family on the top floor where she was cared for until the fire was out.

At the same time George Forbes, who lodged with Mrs. Hayes, was aroused from his sleep in his room. He was dazed with the smoke and in the excitement gathered up his clothing and dashed down the stairs with the bundle under his arm. He found his way into a room on the second floor and there dressed himself partially and made his way out in safety.

During the fire Mrs. Libby was much affected by the possible loss of her pet canary, which was in the dining room of her flat. She besought the firemen to go up and get it for her, but they were too busy putting the fire out. Finally she appealed to patrolman Brock, and not in vain, as he finally went up and brought the bird down.

The property is owned by Arthur S. Tucker. The loss will be about $300.

GEORGE GARDNER

Is Matched to Meet Kid Carter

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—George Gardner of Lowell, Mass., and "Kid" Carter of Brooklyn, have been matched to go six rounds before the Milwaukee boxing club on Feb. 19.

JACKSON GETS DECISION.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 6.—"Young Peter Jackson," a colored welterweight boxer of this city, got the decision over Mike Donovan of Rochester, N. Y., in their 15-round contest before the Eureka athletic and social club. The decision of the referee was not at all objectionable to the white man.

NELSON BEATS JACK O'NEIL.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—Battling Nelson of Chicago, got the decision over Jack O'Neil of Philadelphia, after six fierce rounds before the Badger A. C. last night.

WEAK OPENING

Trading in Cotton Only Moderately Active

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The buying of cotton yesterday supposed to be for a bull pool in order to regain control of the market came to naught again today when a sensational break in Liverpool, very threatening news from the far east, heavy estimated receipts and a bearish visible supply statement rendered the local bears more confident than ever. The New York market opened weak at a loss of 40 a 55 points which had been increased to 52 a 76 points on the active months before the call was completed, with March selling as low as 13.88, May at 14.05 and July at 14.08. Following this there was considerable covering and prices rallied a few points from the bottom but every trifling bulge brought out fresh pressure. The market ruled very feverish and irregular. The New Orleans market opened at a decline of 30 a 39 points and there was little sign of New Orleans buying in the local market. Trading after the call was only moderately active.

LIVERPOOL MARKET STEADY.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 6.—The cotton market opened steady with prices irregular. There was a large business but not much excitement until the last hour when prices gave way, in some cases 25 points from the highest. Later they rallied a little but again weakened, closing 4 to 12 points lower than yesterday's closing, except October and November which was one point higher.

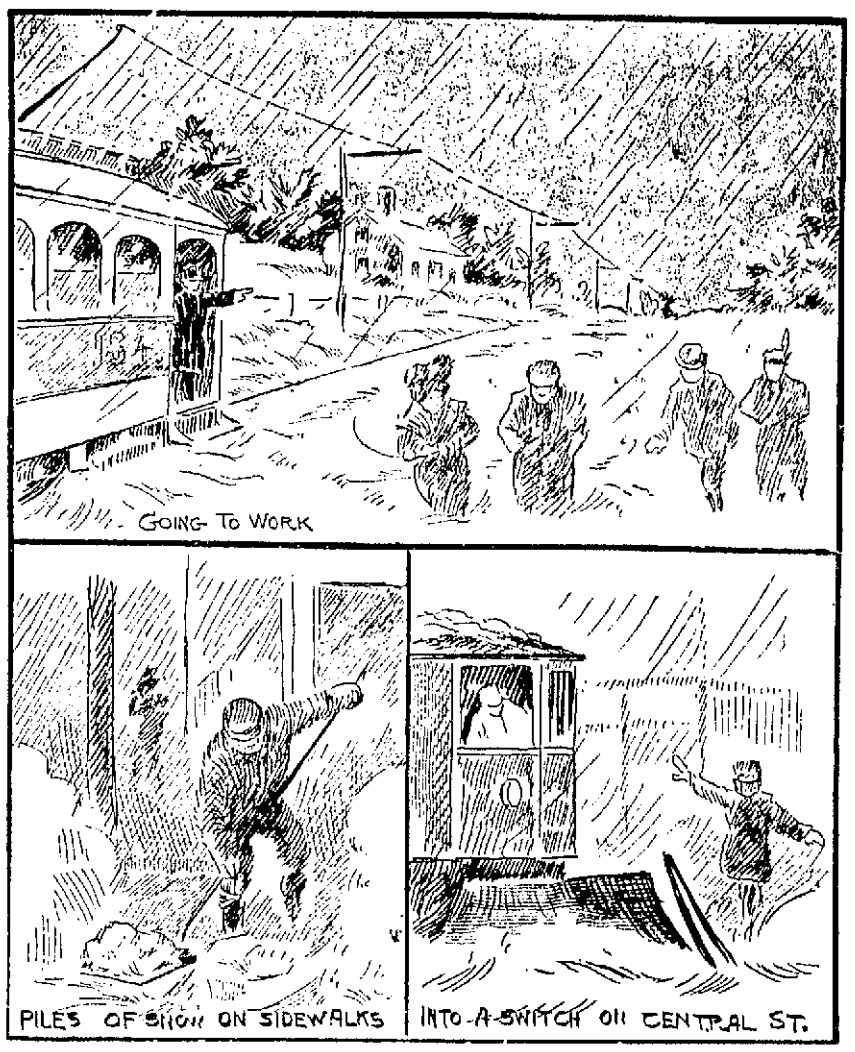
NEGRO SAILORS

TO TAKE THE PLACES OF STRIKERS.

BOSTON, Feb 6—Six West Indian negro sailors arrived from New York city today by rail to take the places of some of the union seamen who are now on strike at this port. The sailors were met at the south terminal by a squad of police and escorted to Atlantic avenue, but they experienced no trouble of any kind.

WOOLEN MILLS SOLD.

MONSON, Mass., Feb. 6—The Golden Rod Woolen mills here, which have been in financial difficulties, have been sold to Thomas G. and Henry Lancey of Pittsfield, Me. The Lanceys expect to reopen the plant within a month.



EARLY MORNING SKETCHES IN THE STORM.

ANOTHER STORM

Car Service Badly Disabled by the Snow

After enjoying open winters for the past several years the old fashioned winter this year has been very troublesome, for besides the intensely cold days, we have had enough snow for several seasons; but the snow still continues to come and according to the weather clerk we have a few more good storms coming to us before the spring sets in.

A storm started this morning shortly after midnight and while the snowfall was not heavy it caused the street railroad company considerable trouble, owing to the sudden drop in the temperature which caused the snow to freeze on the rails. As soon as the snow started word was sent to the power house to get the ploughs out and during the early hours of the morning seventeen snow ploughs were plying their way over the different routes throughout the city and the suburbs, and when the first cars went out this morning the tracks were in fairly good condition.

The mill operatives who depend upon the cars managed for the most part to get to their work on time, but between 6.30 and seven o'clock the temperature took a sudden drop and the coating of snow which was on the rails started to freeze, then the fun began. The cars went pretty well on the level but when an upgrade was reached, no matter how slight the motormen found trouble. In many cases sand was used with good effect, but on steep upgrades the cars were unable to advance.

Owing to the fact that there was considerable snow between the rails since the last two storms the diggers on the ploughs and cars could not get down close enough to the rails to clear all of the snow off, and this made it difficult to keep the tracks clear. The short lines are in fairly good condition, but the long routes are in the worst shape and to add to the trouble of frost rails on the suburban lines, the snow falls back on and between the rails so rapidly that it is very difficult to keep the line open.

After 6.30 o'clock the cars were running on any old schedule and the Christian Hill car which is due in Merrimack square at 6.32 failed to reach there until 7.20, the worst trouble being encountered on the slight upgrade from the terminus of the line at Methuen street to Tenth street. The conductors on the cars were kept busy sweeping the rails while the motormen plied the sand in order to get the car up the grade.

The first Boston car came in on pretty good time but the cars after that had a great deal of trouble as did the Lawrence, Nashua, Billerica and Chelmsford Centre lines.

Supt. of Construction O'Donnell was on the scene early this morning with his snow ploughs and had over 100 men at work in an attempt to keep the lines open and in this he was pretty successful. A fine sleet started slightly before 10 o'clock and the railroad men said that if it continued it would put the road out of commission, but luckily it lasted but a few minutes, though the storm threatens to turn into sleet.

The motormen have found it very difficult to cover the stretches of road on which there are grooved rails, for it is almost impossible to keep these rails clear, the grooves being so small, and they are continually filled with fine snow, which freezes rapidly.

An accident happened in the early morning which had it occurred during the day would have tied up the electric car traffic in the city for quite a while. While one of the big ploughs was coming through Central street about 2 o'clock one of the blades of the plough struck the frog at the corner of Central and Prescott streets and ripped the switch almost out of its socket, twisting it in a manner which made it impossible to straighten it without taking it to the power house.

The spikes were taken out of the frog and it was placed on one of the ploughs and taken to the blacksmith shop at the power house, where it was straightened and placed in position again.

THE STEAM RAILROAD.

The storm struck the Boston & Maine railroad pretty hard and all of the trains running into the Northern station were between 25 and 30 minutes late. The most trouble is encountered from trains from the north and the majority of these trains coming into the city have been so completely covered with snow and frost that they present a most picturesque sight.

Nearly all of the ploughs on the railroad were started out early this morning and extra help has been hired to keep the tracks clear.

The street department did not put on any extra men today as the result of the storm but are working with a crew of 650 men and several hired teams.

FORCED TO STEAL

Landscape Artist is Under Arrest

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Forced to steal, according to his own confession, in order to provide food for his wife and children and to save his family from eviction, George P. Osborne, a well-known landscape artist of this city, was arrested today by a headquarters' detective, charged with larceny. Unable to find a market for any of his pictures, Osborne was driven to find employment in painting signs in a clothing store. He got little money for this and because his children were hungry, he said, he stole several garments and pawned them. He was detected and arrested.

EXCHANGES AND BALANCES.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Exchanges, $21,644,699; balances, $1,816,929.

Exchanges for the week: $138,482,059; corresponding week last year, $144,520,633.

Balances for the week: $9,828,111; corresponding week last year, $12,274,842.

BANK RECORDS BROKEN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—For three consecutive weeks the bank statement has broken all previous records as regards aggregate of loans and deposits. The grand total of loans is now $998,850,800, while deposits have grown to the unprecedented sum of $1,027,156,500.

GAINED FAME AS CARVER.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Robert Ellin, who had an international reputation as a stone and wood carver, is dead at his home in Yonkers from heart failure. He came from England in 1867 and was looked upon as the founder of the artistic stone carving business in the United States. Many of the finest homes in New York were ornamented by him.

Y. M. C. I. hall, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening. Elaborate decorations. Knowlton & Allen's orchestra, of Natick, the best in the state.

REPORT OF DEATHS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

Jan.
27—Lizzie M. Hadley, 60, pernicious anemia.
29—Marie C. C. Drolet, 3 mos., marasmus.
30—Dorothy A. Lawrence, 8½, carcinoma.
Benjamin W. Waterhouse, 74, la grippe.
Olive Wiggin, 85, cong. of lungs.
31—Samuel W. Preston, 88, general debility.
Empsell Smith, 61, heart disease.
Annie B. Love, 39, pulm. tuberculosis.
Napoleon Bergeron, 31, empyemia.
Feb.
1—John Butler, 56, pneumonia.
Arthur Riopelle, 32, pneumonia.
Annie Taylor, 18, epilepsy.
Cyrille Beauchesne, 1, acute indigestion.
Palmira Cotta, 21 days, cyanosis.
George J. Parent, 1 day, prem. birth.
Sarah Blanchard, 78, disease of heart.
Caroline A. Richardson, 52, appendicitis.
Frances E. Wilson, 1 mo., entero colitis.
Marie Tremble, 1 day, marasmus.
2—Michael Reed, 61, Bright's disease.
Margaret Butler, 18, pneumonia.
Bryan Gorman, 69, nephritis.
3—Edward W. Hall, 22, tuberculosis.
4—Rose E. Hammond, 8 mos., cap. bronchitis.
5—Ellen Vomvori, 2, pneumonia.
Betsey A. Sweetsir, 93, senile debility.

GIRARD P. DADMAN, City Clerk.

MAY BE DISABLED

STEAMER IS SEEKING A PLACE OF REFUGE.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 6—A large side-wheel steamer which appeared to be seeking a refuge from the storm was seen in the lower harbor today. Her identity could not be ascertained because of the thick weather. The steamer was unable to enter the harbor because of ice. The storm had increased almost to a hurricane at noon. The steamer is thought to be one of the Boston-Bangor boats, possibly disabled.

MORE FACTORIES CLOSED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6—Seven more carriage and wagon factories have closed because of the demands of the union for increased wages and a closed shop. These are now 101 factories shut down and 1058 carriage and wagon workers idle.

BOUGHT BY MORGAN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—J. P. Morgan has purchased the Lewis Sayre Burchard collection of Norman French romances, for which several universities and colleges of America have been negotiating.

BUTLER IS FREE

Millionaire Politician Acquitted by Jury

FULTON, Mo., Feb. 6.—Edward Butler of St. Louis, the millionaire politician who has been on trial on a charge of bribing members of the St. Louis house of delegates to secure the passage of a city lighting bill in 1899, was acquitted today by a jury in Judge Graves court. When the jury first came in today they reported that they were unable to agree.

"Is there any prospect of your reaching an early decision?" asked the court.

"I cannot say," replied Foreman Rosser, "we are still considering the case."

Judge Gray thereupon requested the jury to retire. Later they reported their verdict.

AUTOMOBILE RUN

LARGEST AND LONGEST EVER HELD HERE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Plans are being made for the largest and longest automobile endurance run ever held in this country. In connection with the endurance run itself, it is also hoped to hold a series of club runs, all to have St. Louis for their goal. If proper arrangements can be made, the race track at St. Louis may be secured for a week or more at the close of the run and races and exhibition runs will be held.

Those who have been discussing the subject are inclined to believe that sometime in June, probably from the middle to the end of the month would be the most acceptable time for the run. It is proposed that the main event, the endurance run, shall start from this city and from one week to ten days will be given to reach St. Louis.

ON SHORT TIME

COTTON MILLS IN CHICOPEE WILL BE RUN.

CHICOPEE, Mass., Feb. 6—The Dwight Manufacturing company today shut down cotton mills No. 1, 2, 3 and 4 here and hereafter these mills will be inoperation five days each week until the conditions of the market permit a greater manufacture of cloth. As yet the Chicopee Manufacturing company at the Falls has done nothing in the way of shortening the hours per week, although such action would not be unexpected, as cotton mills in this part of the state are finding it necessary to curtail their output.

DANGER OF FLOOD

IS INCREASED BY THE STEADY THAWS.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 6—The steady thaw which began last night is hourly increasing the danger of a flood. The Susquehanna river here and for 40 miles above is covered with thick ice frozen solid from bank to bank. No perceptible rise has yet been observed, but there is such a great depth of snow on the hills that when it begins to melt the creeks will be swollen and a large quantity of water will pour into the river. Residents along the banks are preparing to move and the railroads have increased their force of track walkers.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6—The stock market opened easy. Amalgamated Copper, 46; Atchison, 67 7-8 and 68; Baltimore & Ohio, 81 1-2; Brooklyn Transit, 40; Canadian Pacific, 116 1-2; Erie, 26 1-8; do first pfd., 64 3-4; Louisville, 104; Manhattan, 141 3-4; Missouri Pacific, 90 5-8; New York Central, 117 3-4; Norfolk & Western, 59; Ontario & Western, 21 1-2; Penna., 116 1-2; Reading, 43; Rock Island, 22 5-8; Sugar, 124 1-8; St. Paul, 141 3-8; Southern Pacific, 47 1-8; Southern Ry., 21 1-4; Texas Pacific, 24; Union Pacific, 78 5-8; U. S. Steel, 10 3-4; do pfd., 54 3-4; Wabash pfd., 35 3-4.

COLDEST DAY YET.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., Feb. 6—With the mercury 60 degrees below zero, today was without exception the coldest known in many years. The mercury was reported as frozen for hours in several places in this vicinity. The weather was hazy and there was no wind.

APPOINTED A SENATOR.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—Privy Councillor Zaenger has been relieved of the portfolio of the ministry of public instruction at his own request, owing to ill health, and has been appointed a senator.

GAS CO. HEARING

At Tuesday's Meeting of of Aldermen

The board of aldermen will meet on Tuesday evening next and unless a special meeting of the lower branch is called by the mayor between now and then there will be no meeting of the common council on that evening. The upper branch will give a hearing on the petition of the Chelmsford Gaslight company to lay pipes, etc., in the streets of Lowell, offering to pay the city $25,000 for the franchise.

LARGELY ATTENDED

FUNERAL OF THE LATE GEORGE A. PARKHURST.

The funeral of George A. Parkhurst took place from his late home in Chelmsford this afternoon and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. Present at the services were representatives of the G. A. R. of this city, and also a delegation from Chelmsford lodge, I. O. O. F. Services were held at the house at 1.30 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Shurtleff and at two o'clock the public service was held at the Unitarian church in that town, Rev. Mr. Shurtleff officiating. During the service there was appropriate singing by a choir which was augmented for the occasion. The interment was in Forefathers' cemetery in Chelmsford.

AN ELECTRONOMETER

NEW INSTRUMENT INVENTED BY RESEARCH WORKERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The capillary electronometer, a new instrument, delicate enough to register the minute discharges of electricity in nerves and muscles has been invented by research workers in the physiology laboratory at the University of Chicago. The invention will greatly aid the cure of lockjaw they hope, and be of great use in nervous diseases.

All life action is chemical and electrical, the inventors believe and by the action of the electrical discharge from a moving muscle of the mercury in the tube the amount of energy expended may be guaged.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Money on call closed nominal, no loans today. Prime mercantile paper 4½ @ 6½ per cent.; sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 485.55 @ 485.60 for demand and at 482.90 @ 483 for 60 days; posted rates 483½ and 486 @ ½; commercial bills 482 @ ¼.

Bar silver 55¼, Mexican dollars 43, government bonds, steady, railroad bonds easy.

Exchanges $194,011,148; balances $9,494,105.

For the week: Exchanges $1,251,263,858; balances $60,192,591.

Total clearings of all the bank clearing houses throughout the United States for the week ending today were $2,164,928,441, a decrease of 10.5 per cent. compared with the corresponding period last year.

CLEARING HOUSE BANKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans increase $4,298,700; deposits increase $3,212,700; circulation decrease $11,219,600; legal tenders decrease $2,972,500; specie increase $489,400; reserve decrease $2,483,100; reserve required increase $803,175; surplus $21,842,775; decrease $3,386,275; ex-United States deposits $31,066,100; decrease $3,287,700.

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FAMILY IN WANT

Louis Caron Among the Missing

HE LEFT HOME THREE WEEKS AGO

His Wife and Family are in Need

Louis Caron, whose home is at 34 Winter street, left home about three weeks ago and his wife and five children, the oldest 14 years and the youngest 6 months, are anxiously awaiting his return.

The family is in destitute circumstances and any contributions in the line of food, fuel or clothing will be gratefully received. Mrs. Caron is an honest hard working woman and deserving of any charity that the generously disposed may see fit to offer. The only fuel in the house is what is left of the wood that the children gathered during the vacation weeks in the summer.

MORE DESTITUTION.

Agent Richardson called at a dingy tenement in Queen street this forenoon in search of a woman whose destitute condition had been reported. The woman was not at home and in a tenement in the same block he found her hugging a stove and bemoaning her sad fate. She said that her husband works in Billerica and that he has not been contributing very liberally to her support. She said that he visits her once in a while and that he generally comes empty handed. Mr. Richardson looked the tenement over and found that the woman was without food and practically without fuel. All she had in the shape of wood was a little box that she had picked up in the street and she said she was saving that to light a fire and warm the house before going to bed.

A great many appeals for assistance are made to the society which Mr. Richardson represents that do not reach the newspapers and those who can assist the poor and needy should not wait to learn of the distress of poor families through the newspapers but should communicate with the agent of the society. His office is at 71 Central street and his telephone number is 665-2.

"JOLLY GIRLS"

CONDUCT PLEASANT SLEIGH-RIDE PARTY.

An enjoyable sleighride party was conducted to Willow Dale last evening by the "Jolly Girls," an organization of popular young ladies in the vicinity of Davis square. The start was made from Davis square about 8 o'clock, the party numbering about 40 people.

They arrived at their destination soon after 9 o'clock and immediately the orchestra struck up music for a waltz in which all joined. A bountiful supper was served during the evening following which an entertainment of unusual merit was given. Among those who took part in the entertainment were Misses Eva Curtin, May Draper, Grace Draper, James A. Craig, Sam Harnden, the latter proving an adept at making stump speeches. The party broke up about 2 o'clock, arriving in this city on the stroke of 4.30 this morning.

QUOTES THE LAW

Dennis E. Connors Warns Accounts Committee

Charges Councilman Welch With Doing Business With City and Asks Them Not to Approve Certain Bills—Several Bills Held Up Pending Advice of the City Solicitor

The committee on accounts met in the city auditor's office at City hall this morning and began the long job of approving the monthly bills.

One of the first bills inspected was that of the Courier-Citizen company for printing and approval was temporarily withheld pending a consultation with the city solicitor. The matter of members of the city council and other city officials being interested in city business having been given considerable public attention within the past few days, the committee thought it best to proceed cautiously in the matter and will hold up any bills presented by firms or companies known to have members in the city service pending a consultation with the city solicitor. In the case of the Courier-Citizen company, Police Commissioner Rice is said to be a stockholder in this company.

The committee also held up a bill of C. F. Morse, partner of ex-Alderman Lucius A. Derby, the bill being dated last December, when Mr. Derby was a member of the board of aldermen.

The committee intends to withhold approval from all such bills until instructed by the solicitor.

Each member received the following letter in regard to the matter from Dennis A. Connors of this city:

CONNORS MAKES CHARGES.

69 Forest Street, Lowell, Mass., January 28, 1904.

My Dear Sir:—In a spirit of friendliness to you personally I call your attention to section 6 of chapter 16 of the city ordinances. I also quote from chapter 210 of the revised laws the material parts of section 9 as follows: "A member of either branch of a city council or of a municipal board of a city who is personally interested, directly or indirectly, in a contract made by the city council or by either branch thereof, or by such board or by authority derived therefrom in which the city is an interested party; or a person who alone or with others represents a city in making a contract who is interested; or such member or person who directly or indirectly for himself or for another, receives a commission, discount, bonus, present, or reward from any person or persons making or performing such contract" is subject to fine and imprisonment.

I also quote the material parts of section 8, as follow: "An officer or agent of, or a person employed by, the commonwealth, or by a county, city, town or by any public institution . . . who being authorized to procure materials, either by purchase or contract, or to employ service, or labor, receives directly, or indirectly, for himself, or for another, a commission, discount, bonus, present, or reward from the person who makes such a contract, furnishes such materials, supplies or other articles, or from a person who renders service or labor under such contract, or a person who gives or offers such commission, discount, bonus, present or reward, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than five hundred dollars, or by fine and imprisonment for not more than one year.

I also call your attention to section 101 of chapter 25, section 2 of chapter 26, and section 36 of chapter 21 of the revised laws which provides for a prompt and thorough investigation by the superior court on petition of 25 owners of real estate in each ward, of money illegally or corruptly expended. It is unnecessary to state to you that money paid on contracts in violation of these sections is illegally and corruptly paid, and all concerned in approving, paying and receiving it are liable to be made pay it back as well as liable criminally for aiding and abetting in the violation of this criminal statute. The contracts are utterly void—the language of the statute is so clear that it does not need any court to construe it.

The petitions referred to in section 101 are now ready for signatures and I do not want the resultant investigation to injure you or any other person I consider my friend.

The letter than makes specific charges against Patrick F. Welch as a member of the firm of Welch & Danahy. As The Sun is not prepared to prove the truth of the charges they are here omitted. The letter concludes by requesting the committee to refuse to pay any bills in which Councilman Welsh may be interested. The letter is signed by Dennis E. Connors, 69 Forest street.

Mr. Connors is a member of the well-known firm of Connors Brothers, contractors and builders, and a brother of Edward F. Connors, candidate for superintendent of streets.

The committee was still in session at the time of going to press.

BOY DESERTED

Parents Left Him Without Food or Fuel

Harry Sheppard, 13, called on Agent Richardson of the Humane society last evening and told a tale of woe in which the complainant played the part of the deserted child. Agent Richardson investigated the boy's story today and found it to be true in every detail.

The boy said that his mother and stepfather, one Harry Stirk, left Lowell a week ago Monday bound for Barre Plains. They left him, he said, without food or fuel in the house. His mother told him to call at a place where she had worked and collect 67 cents that was due her. The boy said he called and found that 17 cents was all that was due his mother. He managed to pull through for a few days but was finally obliged to call on a neighbor, a Mr. Blight, and ask for assistance. Mr. Blight fed the boy for a few days expecting that his mother would write to him. She didn't write and the lad was finally obliged to go to Agent Richardson's office in search of assistance.

Mr. Richardson went to Perry's court where the boy said he lived and he learned from the neighbors there that the boy had told the truth. Mr. Richardson found the house in good order but the cupboards were bare and there was no fuel in the house. The boy was taken to the Day Nursery where he will be cared for until his parents are located, and if they are not in a position to care for him he will be turned over to the state authorities.

MATRIMONIAL

Thomas Boyle and Miss Ethel Furbush were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at the parochial residence of St. Patrick's church, Rev. John J. McHugh officiating. The bridemaid was Miss Elizabeth Boyle, a sister of the groom, and the best man was Thomas Boyle, a cousin of the groom. After the ceremony the happy couple repaired to the home of the bride, 263 Branch street, where a reception was held.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Master Eddie Cuff celebrated his 10th birthday yesterday at the home of his parents and during the day he entertained a large number of his little friends. He was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

RURAL DETECTIVE

Chased a Plank Thief to Lowell

AND ALLOWED HIM TO GET AWAY

He Asked No Odds of the Police

"It is a sin to steal a pin,
Much more to steal a greater thing."

A man who has lost several thousand superficial feet of spruce and pine planks from his wood lot in Hudson, N. H., is wondering if the fellow who hauled it away ever heard that it is a sin even to steal a pin.

The man in Hudson has asked the Lowell police to assist him in locating the man who had the effrontery to steal his planks. The police refuse to give any names, but they do admit that they have been requested by a man in Hudson to assist him in finding the plank thief.

Up in Hudson the most of the good people are so free from suspicion that they rarely lock a barn door and sometimes their latch strings are out all night, so that it never occurred to the man with the planks that anybody would have the audacity to drive into his lumber lot and steal his newly sawed lumber.

He has found, however, and much to his sorrow, that his great trust in mankind in general was in part misplaced. He visited the lot two or three times and it seemed to him as if the pile of planks was growing smaller, but he laid it all to imagination. Finally his good wife visited the lot and she, too, noticed that the pile had diminished. The man with honest trust then marked the top row of planks and the next day when he visited the lot he found they were gone. He went back to the house, looked in the mirror and called himself a "chump," and his wife said "Amen."

He told a very near and dear neighbor of his loss and yesterday that very same neighbor met a man in the vicinity of Hudson seated on a load of planks and peacefully smoking a very black pipe. The man with the planks was aimed at Lowell and the good neighbor decided to follow him.

The fellow with the planks seemed to realize, after a time, that he was being followed, but not until he had made the good neighbor a bit wise as to where he really wanted to go. The neighbor was sure that the man with the planks did not want to come to Lowell, but the latter continued on his way and finally arrived in this city. Several police officers were passed, but the good neighbor said nary a word. He was playing the part of the rural detective and he calculated that he would have all the honor of the capture to himself. The man with the planks, evidently realizing that his pursuer "was on," decided to take a chance, and when he reached a convenient point in Pawtucket street he dumped the load and drove away. The rural detective watched him, but didn't mention it to the police, although there was an officer in the vicinity when the man was unloading the plank.

The good neighbor took a couple of reefs in his whiskers and started back for Hudson feeling that he had executed a little bit of detective work that would fit him for Scotland yard.

He rushed his horse into Hudson faster than that animal was ever made to go before. The man at the post office looked on in amazement and wondered what in the dickens was the matter with the man.

Straightway did the good neighbor drive to the home of the man who owned the plank and taking a few extra whiffs of fresh air, said: "I found the fellow that stole your plank."

"Put it there, old man," said the plank man. "Who is it?"

"I don't know."

"Where is he?"

"I don't know that either."

"Well, what do you mean by saying you found him?"

The good neighbor then told his story and it is whispered that the man who lost the planks said something under his breath that begins with d——.

Both men, the plank man and his good neighbor, came to Lowell to day and stated their case to the police.

Supt. Moffatt tried to hire the rural detective to do special work, looking for pickpockets and one thing or another, but the man from Hudson said he was getting along first rate "to hum."

FIREMEN HURT

BIG BLAZE BROKE OUT IN CLEVELAND.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 5.—Three firemen were injured and a whole company cut off by flames and nearly suffocated by gas and smoke at a fire in the Severence building today. The firemen were cut off from the exits by an explosion of gas and were rescued through a basement window. After the fire had been extinguished there was a collision between a ladder truck and a street car, as a result of which two firemen were seriously cut and bruised.

The building and contents were damaged to the extent of about $25,000.

DEFENDED BRYAN

Senator's Praise of Great Democrat

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—In his prayer at the opening of the senate today, the chaplain, Rev. Edward Everett Hale, made reference to the illness of Senator Hanna, saying:

"Father, we ask for those who are in great sorrow; we ask for those who are on the bed of sickness; we ask for those who minister to them—that thou will give them life, light and love."

Mr. Mitchell, from the committee on post offices, made a favorable report on the resolution directing the postmaster general to send to the senate the reports made on irregularities in the post office department and requested immediate consideration. The resolution was adopted without debate. It calls for reports upon the investigation by Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, together with the reports of Messrs. Holmes Conrad and Charles J. Bonaparte, special counsel for the government on the charges made by S. W. Tulloch, formerly cashier of the Washington city post office. A bill was passed donating gun carriages to the state of Connecticut for use at Fort Griswold.

The urgent deficiency appropriation bill was laid before the senate, the provision of r the St. Louis exposition loan being the immediate question under consideration and Mr. Patterson (Col). took up the political phase of the question, making especial reply to Mr. Foraker. He said that having noted the want of prosperity on the part of the trusts and syndicates, the Ohio senator had introduced a bill, which if it should become law, would supply that deficiency. Mr. Patterson contended that prosperity was not so much dependent on tariff laws or the balance of trade as most people believe. On the contrary, he found that good times depended more on the volume of currency than on other causes and he traced the prosperity of the decade from 1880 to 1890 to the active coinage ofsilver in that period. This epoch, covered Mr. Cleveland's first term but Mr. Patterson declared that when democrats contended that his second term covered a prosperous period they did violence to the facts of history. The panic of 1893 had been the result of the crusade against the greater circulation of silver both in the United States and elsewhere. He declared that Mr. Cleveland's last term was not a democratic administration, in fact, but that it presented the spectacle of a democratic president putting republican policies into execution.

Mr. Patterson declared the successful fight on silver to have been the forerunner of the Coxey army and the other phenomena that followed the panic of 1893.

Mr. Aldrich said that he judged Mr. Patterson would not look with great favor upon another term of Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Patterson replied that he "certainly would not, in view of the fact that Mr. Cleveland had been false both to his party and his country." He added that Mr. Aldrich and his party associates should be under lasting obligations to Mr. Cleveland but that democrats could not be expected to share that feeling. Speaking of the present era, Mr. Patterson declared that it had brought prosperity to the rich but not to the poor, resulting in the creation not only of millionaires but of billionaires at the expense of others. He spoke in strong terms of admiration of President Roosevelt's action in connection with the anthracite coal strike and in his suits against the railroad mergers, but declared that in the prosecution of trusts the president's action had been far short of promises, inasmuch as only two or three actions had been begun.

He compared the offenses of Whittaker Wright to the conduct of J. P. Morgan and Mr. Schwab and then entered into the details of Wright's trial by a British court and his subsequent suicide, adding that "there would not be many tears shed if some of the great financial lights who find their habitat in the United States should seek the same ending and from the same cause."

Recurring to the silver issue, Mr. Patterson said that even the people of Colorado realized that the issue of 16 to 1 had been decided against them, but it did not, he said, follow that they would throw themselves into the arms of the trusts. He referred to Mr. Bryan saying:

"I am glad that there is one man in the party with power and influence enough to make himself felt who enters his protest against surrendering the party to those who go from one end of the political teeter to the other as their interests may seem to require. Mr. Patterson reasserted his conviction that the nomination of Mr. Bryan by the Chicago convention of 1896 had insured a far larger vote than another candidate on another platform would have secured. He then announced his intention not to press for a further recognition of free coinage by the democratic party, saying that "the party is worse than insane which continues to advocate a policy which the country has declared against." Such a course would destroy the usefulness of any other party.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The house upon convening today went into committee of the whole with Mr. Powers (Maine), in the chair and begun the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill.

Four hours general debate on the bill was agreed upon. Mr. Wadsworth (N. Y.) chairman on agriculture, explained the bill.

Mr. Sheppard (Tex.) criticized the present system of the distribution of seeds and gave notice that he would propose an amendment providing for the distribution of new and untried seeds instead of standard seeds that can be purchased in the open market. He read a letter from a constituent who asked him to send certain seeds and in addition a suit of clothes, remarking that the writer had as much right to expect a suit of clothes as he did seeds such as now sent out.

He declared that the system was degenerating into a farce and said that if the congressional comedy continues and drifts into a continuous performance, congressmen will no longer be statesmen but seedsmen.

Mr. Bell (Cal.) taking up the paragraph in the bill providing for pomological investigations, announced that he would propose an amendment providing for an increased appropriation for this work and made a strong appeal for aid for the vineyards of California and the Pacific coast.

VERDICT OF $35,000.

LYONS, N. Y., Feb. 5—John E. Pitts of Corry, Pa., a mail clerk, who was severely injured in a wreck of a fast mail train of the New York Central at Clyde in 1902, received a verdict against the company for $85,000 here today. He sued for $75,000.

STORY OF MAID

SECURED FREEDOM FOR A HUSBAND.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—A jury in Justice Levintritt's part of the supreme court yesterday dissolved the marriage bonds of William G. McGrath and his wife after listening to some spicy testimony concerning Mrs. McGrath's conduct with Antonio Fasano, the "other man" in the case. Mr. McGrath, who is a young lawyer, was the plaintiff.

His attire in court was as scrupulously correct as if he were at an afternoon reception. Mrs. McGrath, too, had paid full attention to the details of the toilet—a big picture hat, a tailor-made gown, adorned with a broad ceru collar, completing her costume. Antonio Fasano, who was in court, looked not unlike the husband.

The McGraths were married in June, 1898, at St. Alphonsus church in West Broadway, and for a time were happy, the husband alleges. Then the "other man" appeared and the trouble began. The wife told a different story.

"We were happy," said Mrs. McGrath, "until my husband introduced into the household as a maid a friend of his who was a sister to one of his former sweethearts. He insisted on retaining the girl in the house and soon he showed her more affection than me. I bore it all until July, 1903. Then my husband ordered me from the house and I went to live with my mother."

Catherine Welling, formerly Catherine Hoffman, the girl who figured in the testimony, told of clandestine meetings between Mrs. McGrath and Fasano, with herself and another man as willing chaperons.

Fasano, when he took the stand, denied that he had ever been at the Morris Park race track with Mrs. McGrath; denied that he had ever been at the Boulevard hotel, or had ever been other than a friend to her.

The wife's lawyer then denounced the husband dramatically for trying to get rid of Mrs. McGrath by the production of false evidence.

The jury, after being out a half-hour, returned a verdict for the plaintiff.

Mrs. McGrath, who was in the court room when the jury came in, was unable to hear the decision of the jury when read by the clerk, and as she went out into the corridor she inquired of one of the spectators:

"Did I win?"

When informed that she had lost, tears came into her eyes. She and her mother then left the court house together.

CROWN PRINCE

WAS THROWN FROM HIS HORSE TODAY.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—The crown prince Frederick William was thrown from his horse while riding at the head of his company of guards at Potsdam today. The horse shied and then fell with his rider, creating considerable alarm. The crown prince was assisted to his feet by his brother officers and soon was able to remount and resume his place at the head of the company.

CROKER WINS OUT

Is Chief of the Fire Department

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The appellate division of the supreme court today handed down a decision ordering the reinstatement of Edward F. Croker as chief of the fire department. Mr. Croker was removed from office early in the Low administration. He is a nephew of Richard Croker. Former Chief Purroy, who succeeded Mr. Croker, retired in December.

MINKS' DAUGHTER

TELLS HOW HER FATHER WAS SLAIN.

WOODBURY, N. J., Feb. 5—John Payne, charged with the murder of William Minks last summer, testified yesterday. His story was given in such a straightforward way that it greatly impressed the jury.

"What did you go to the house for the night Minks was shot?" asked his lawyer.

"Because Lizzie Minks, who was my promised wife, had proven false and I wished the assistance of her father in getting the girl to do better."

He then said he had his first quarrel with the girl the day before the shooting. He said she slapped him in the face and hurried him down street.

"Why did you borrow the revolver from Policeman Sparks?"

"Because Lizzie told me we never would be married, and when I called it was to see if this was her final decision. If so, I expected to go to Virginia and never return and wanted the revolver for protection."

Payne then broke down and cried "I never expected to kill him." Then he testified that Minks turned around and grabbed for the revolver. The defendant said that he did not fire the first shot until Minks struck him while he was lying on the ground.

Lizzie Minks, the defendant's sweetheart, said Payne threatened to kill her father several weeks before the quarrel.

"Did Payne ever strike you?"

"Yes, several times, but it was always when he was in a fit of temper. At other times he was always very kind to me."

Miss Minks then described how her father had been shot while he was attempting to hit Payne, who was on the ground. She told about her wild life and how she went to hotels to drink wine with men.

Both sides have closed. It is believed here that Payne will be acquitted.

GOVERNMENT HAD 86 MAJORITY.

LONDON, Feb. 5—In the ultimate division in the house of commons today on Mr. Robson's amendment to the address the government had a majority of 86, the vote being 192 for and 278 against the amendment.

FLAGS AT HALF MAST.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Feb. 5—In respect to the memory of the late William C. Whitney the flags at the naval academy were ordered to be displayed at half mast today from sunrise to sunset.

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30 on 1 lb. 50c. Tea.
10 on 1 lb. 20c. Coffee.
5 on 1 lb. 15c. Butterine.
5 on 1 package of 14c. Force.
5 on 1 package of 14c. Cero Fruto.
5 on 1 package of 10c. Presto.

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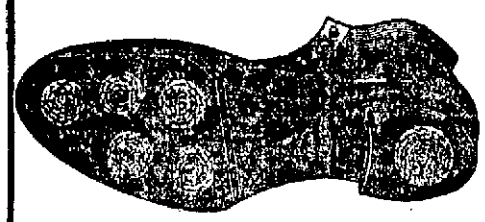

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GOVERNOR BATES

Declines to Suspend Warden Bridges

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—The charges of cruelty and persecution against Warren B. F. Bridges, of the state prison, which were filed at the state house yesterday by a New York lawyer, acting for Harry J. Bebro, of New York, were placed before Gov. Bates today. Bebro was released from the state prison in November, 1902, upon completing a five years' sentence for larceny. On account of mental trouble, it is said, he passed part of the time in the insane department at Bridgewater.

The specific charges are that Bebro was subjected to solitary confinement, that he was denied the privilege of consulting counsel and that his petition for habeas corpus proceedings not only was disregarded but thrown away.

Counsel for Bebro asked today that Warden Bridges and several deputies be suspended pending an investigation of the charges. Gov. Bates took the documents, which included exhaustive typewritten matter and several affidavits and assured counsel that he would give the matter careful consideration and write to the lawyer of his decision when reached. The governor declined, however, to suspend the warden or deputies as requested.

HAS NOT ASSENTED

COMMONWEALTH TRUST COMPANY HOLDING OFF.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Although it was stated last night that the new plan of reorganization for the United States Shipbuilding Co., put out by the new reorganization committee and the receiver and assented to by Samuel Untermeyer on behalf of the bondholders protective committee, thus settling the main litigation between these parties, would be agreed to by all the large interests, there was no sign today that the Commonwealth Trust Co., as successor to the Trust company of the republic, will take a position in accord with it. It was authoritatively stated that no such position had been assumed so far at least, and it is pointed out that the Commonwealth company, as successor to the company financing the shipbuilding company, might, in assenting to a plan by which the shipbuilding stock is to be wiped out, make itself the butt of attack by stockholders bringing suit for the recovery of money invested in stock unless it should join forces with such litigants and endeavor to place responsibility elsewhere.

It was stated sometime ago that the directors of the Commonwealth Trust company had decided upon bringing actions in the courts for the purpose of vindicating their honor in the shipbuilding transactions, and this policy has not been lost sight of. While the Commonwealth Trust company directors might agree to the new plan, it was stated today, with profit to themselves personally, they could not, while stockholders in the company are to be losers by the provisions of the new plan which wiped out all the old stock, join with the promoters of the new plan without forgetting the first reason for bringing their actions.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a. m.—Opening prices in stocks today were slightly lower under pressure of very light selling orders. United States Steel pfd., and Amalgamated Copper were inclined to harden in face of the general tendency.

11 a. m.—Price fluctuations were narrow and uncertain, hardening, yielding and covering again during the first hour. Chicago & Alton rose 1½ and the preferred 1⅞. Amalgamated Copper and Sugar made large fractional gains. Losses of a point were shown by Rock Island pfd., and Tenn. Coal, 1½ by Pacific Coast and 1⅞ by the second pfd.

Noon—Stocks were much neglected, but were inclined to sag with the renewed demoralization in the cotton and coffee markets. The leading active stocks moved only within fractional limits, but Kanawha and Michigan fell 2, Virginia-Carolina Chemical 1½ and Pacific Mail 1¼. Chicago Terminal pfd. rose 1. Bonds were irregular.

1 p. m.—Manhattan, Brooklyn Transit, Wabash pfd., St. Louis Southwestern pfd., and Erie second pfd., lost 1 to 1⅜ by the continuance of the decline. Long Island fell 2, Delaware & Hudson 2¼. Reading second pfd., 3¼ and Rutland pfd., 8. Sloss Sheffield Steel advanced 1¼.

2 p. m.—The weakness became more pronounced and dealings rather more active, causing losses of a point or more in the leading Pacific, grangers, southwesterns, trunk lines and coalers. Amalgamated Copper, Sugar, Southern Railway, pfd., Louisville & Nashville, Paper, Smelting and Consolidated Gas, were also in the list of 1 point losses. Denver & Rio Grande pfd. fell 1⅝. Wabash pfd. 2¼, Brooklyn Transit 2⅝, Lackawanna 4, and Delaware & Hudson 4½.

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PRESSMEN QUIT

The Strike in Boston is Extending

BOSTON, Feb 5—Twenty book and job pressmen employed at the printing plant of the Griffith-Stillings company stopped work today in sympathy with the striking compositors and the threat of the union to extend the strike movement to the press workers became effective. The Griffith company has employed many non-union compositors. When the union pressmen were handed non-union forms this forenoon they quit work at once. Later a committee from the union was in conference with the firm. At the same time the Boston typothetae was in session at its headquarters.

Secretary Simonds of the typothetae said after the meeting that reports to their association indicate that of the 43 large offices in Boston today 24 have no compositors out, 13 some striking and some at work and four no compositors at work. The total compositors working is 767 and the number out 237. This report includes the J. S. Cushing firm at Norwood, where 200 men are at work. This report shows an increase of 36 compositors at work.

Business Agent D. J. McDonald of the allied printing trades council said today that the pressmen at the Griffith-Stillings company plant practically were locked out because the employers insisted that the pressmen should handle non-union forms or quit work.

STRIKER BLAMED

For Attack on Receiving Clerk

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The first case of violence in the strike of the freight handlers on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, on piers 45 and 50, in the East river, occurred today, although it was not of an alarming nature and was quickly suppressed. Walker Weslake, acting as a receiving clerk on the pier, was knocked down, it is alleged, by a striking freight handler, but was not badly hurt. His assailant was arrested. The trouble was precipitated by the attempt of the company to open up pier 45 and to place at work about seventy Italians.

GENERAL BLACK

IS SUFFERING WITH PARTIAL COLLAPSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—General John C. Black, chairman of the United States civil service commission, and commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., is seriously ill here. He is suffering with partial collapse. Dr. G. A. Harman of Lancaster, Ohio, surgeon-general of the G. A. R., who is attending him, says he will be compelled to cancel his engagements for the next few weeks. General Black attended the annual banquet of the department of the Potomac G. A. R. Wednesday and overtaxed his strength.

CHILD SLAVES

GIRL TRAPS THEIR CHILD EMPLOYER.

TRENTON, Feb. 5.—Startling disclosures, it is said, will follow the investigation of factories in the northern part of New Jersey by Miss Mary F. Van Leer, deputy factory inspector. Miss Van Leer is a young woman who was formerly a missionary in Africa. In order to get at the facts in connection with violations of the child labor law she worked in the factories as an unskilled laborer.

It was only within the last three or four days that the manufacturers learned of Miss Van Leer's secret investigation of their methods. They are highly wrought up over it. The trials promise to be sensational.

LORENZ DENIES

THAT HE KNEW MACHEN COULD HELP HIM.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5—The cross-examination of George E. Lorenz, one of the defendants in the postal trial, was continued today. The government tried to pin the witness down to an admission that shortly following his visit to the Groffs in 1895 when he purchased an interest in the fastener, he sought the influence of Machen in the matter of introducing the device throughout the country. He emphatically denied that he knew that Machen was in a position to influence the purchase of supplies. Mr. Lorenz said he was entitled to his share of the profits from the Groffs because he had invested $500 for an interest. He took his chances, he said, of getting profitable returns, as did D. O. Groff, who had acquired an interest for only $100. The fact that he had received $50,000 out of the fasteners he attributed to good luck.

CUSTOMS DUTIES INCREASED.

HAVANA, Feb. 5.—President Palma's decree in increasing the rates of customs duties in accordance with the authority given him by congress was promulgated today and takes effect Monday.

BOWLING CONGRESS.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 5—Arrangements for holding the business sessions of the American bowling congress at the annual convention and tournament next week have been completed. The first session of the congress will begin Feb. 8. The national tournament will open Monday night.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY BETTER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Admiral Schley who has been suffering with a slight attack of the grip was reported better today. He was able to leave his room.

FORE RIVER CO. SUED.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—The Pacific Surety company, of California has begun suit in the supreme judicial court of Massachusetts against the Fore River Ship and Engine company of Quincy, Francis T. Bowles, former chief instructor of the United States navy but now president of the Fore River company, and Henry G. Smith, to have returned to them certain bonds which they issued to the Fore River company. These bonds were given the petitioner says, to secure the payment of salaries for five years of $25,000 and $10,000 a year to Mr. Bowles and Mr. Smith respectively, by the Quincy corporation. The petitioner alleges that they were led to furnish the bonds on the strength of an incorrect statement made by the Fore River company as to its assets.

DOWD HEARING

Will be Held in Boston Next Wednesday

James Dowd, one of the two men convicted of assault on John B. Cover of this city, has asked for a pardon and the petition will be heard by the governor and his council next Wednesday. Notification of the hearing was contained in the following letter received by Mr. Cover today:

Executive Dept., Council Chamber.
Boston, Feb. 4, 1904.
To J. B. Cover, Esq., Lowell.:

You are hereby notified that the committee on pardons of the executive council will give a hearing upon the petition for the pardon of James Dowd at the council chamber in the state house on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 9.30 o'clock.

You are requested to appear before the committee at the time and place above mentioned, with such witnesses as you desire to produce.

By order of the pardon committee,
E. F. HAMLIN,
Executive Secretary.

SEAMEN'S UNION

ENTERS PROTEST AGAINST HARBOR POLICE.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—The Atlantic Coast Seamen's union, through a committee, filed a protest today with the Boston police board against the act of harbor police in transporting last night to the schooner Dorothy Palmer a non-union crew of eight negroes, brought from Providence. Sec. W. H. Frazier of the union said that they considered what the harbor police did to be an act of injustice to the seamen if, indeed, not a violation of the regulations governing the harbor police. Judge Emmons, chairman of the police board, assured the committee that he would make an investigation. The alleged injustice was committed when the police boat watchman conveyed the strike breakers to the schooner from a pier to which they had been escorted by the city police from the railroad station.

JOSSLYN GUILTY

CONVICTED ON CHARGE OF BIGAMY.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Asa Josslyn, who when his wife disappeared from Thatchers island, several months ago, announced that she had committed suicide and married again, today was found guilty of bigamy by a jury in the Suffolk county superior court. Josslyn was assistant keeper of the light at Thatchers island.

McADOO'S ORDER

HEAD OF POLICE FORCE AFTER CAPT. COTTRELL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Police Commissioner McAdoo today ordered an investigation of the failure of Police Capt. Cottrell to close the Grand Opera house last night in pursuance of the mayor's orders. The commissioner was not informed that the captain was not enforcing the mayor's order to close the theatre until after the audience had gathered and it was decided that its enforcement at that time might precipitate a panic.

NO ONE INJURED

BIG GUNS BLEW OFF THEIR MUZZLES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The following telegram has been received at the navy department from Capt. Train, president of the board of inspection and survey, dated Fort Monroe, yesterday:

"While the board of inspection was testing the battery this morning on battleship Iowa, both guns in the starboard forward eight inch turret blew off their muzzles. No damage except to guns and one whaleboat. No casualties."

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THE JAPANESE

SAID TO BE BETTER PREPARED FOR WAR THAN RUSSIANS.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—"Yuan-Shi-Kai (the commander of the Chinese imperial army and navy) and the vice president of the war board have memorialized the throne urgently insisting upon an offensive and defensive alliance with Japan to regain Manchuria," cables the Shanghai correspondent of the London Globe this afternoon. "The memorialists" the correspondent adds, "maintain that the Japanese are better prepared for war than the Russians and are more disinterested."

EXPECT WAR

SUCH IS THE FEELING IN WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—In the opinion of a diplomat conversant with the Japanese phase of the far eastern situation, the Tokio government will not wait longer than today for the Russian reply unless, in the meantime a satisfactory intimation is received as to its character. The feeling in Japanese circles seems to be increasing that if the note is delayed longer than today the delay is to be interpreted as merely for the purpose of giving Russia more time in which to prepare herself for the blow, Japan is expected to strike.

The state department announces the receipt of information that Japan has called its subjects from the Yalu districts in Korea into Seoul.

JAPANESE LEGATION

WITHOUT ADVICES FROM THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The Japanese legation today was without advices from the far east. The first news that the Russian reply was despatched last night to Viceroy Alexieff came to the legation from the Associated Press. The legation officials confess they are pessimistic and point out that the whole situation depends on the nature of Russia's reply.

The Russian embassy is understood to have received a notification that the reply had been sent to Viceroy Alexieff. Nothing has been heard of the report, published in the United States by a news agency that sixty Japanese warships are blockading Port Arthur.

AT SENDER'S RISK.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The significant announcement that telegrams for Japan and Korea can be accepted only at sender's risk, was made today by the Commercial Cable Co., which has received the following despatch from its resident manager in China:

"From today telegrams to Japan and Korea can only be accepted at sender's risk."

VISITED FOREIGN OFFICE.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Both the Russian ambassador and the Japanese minister visited the foreign office this afternoon. The latter stayed half an hour. The Russian ambassador, who only remained ten minutes, subsequently was granted the use of the telegraph of the colonial office.

BANKING HOUSES ALARMED.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—The international banking houses, which are in constant communication with their own agents in the far east admit the situation is serious; but they point out that although business is almost paralyzed, while awaiting developments, Russian and Japanese securities are holding their own well, considering the alarmist reports. The fact is that scarcely any business is being transacted on the stock exchange. Not $25,000 was open for the account, where normally there would be $2,500,000.

"If it is true," the London Globe's naval expert says, "that a Japanese fleet is cruising off Wei Hai Wei, it points to its assumption of a position of great strategical importance. From this point its scouts can effectively watch the movements of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur and stand between it and the straits of Korea, while at the same time it would be able to prevent an attempt of the Vladivostock squadron to effect a junction with the main Russian fleet."

RUSSIAN RESPONSE

SAID TO CONTAIN IMPORTANT CONCESSIONS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 5.—As announced in the Associated Press despatches the draft of the Russian response, tentatively approved by the czar, was telegraphed to Viceroy Alexieff last night. The viceroy, being on the ground, will have an opportunity to examine the phraseology and return any objections he may have, before receiving final instructions to deliver the reply. It is expected that Viceroy Alexieff will send the answer to reach Japan on Monday. While the contents of the response are carefully guarded they are known to be in a conciliatory spirit and form, and to contain what are regarded here as important concessions.

A diplomat who probably is in closer touch with the Russian side of the negotiations than any other person, informed the Associated Press that Korea had again become the most difficult matter for adjustment. Russia, he said, could not agree to Japanese fortifications in southern Korea.

"If the Japanese government is sincerely desirous of avoiding war," he added, "it will find in the reply, when it arrives, a basis for an arrangement but if the authorities have made up their minds to remain unyielding the negotiations must end in an impasse. In any event I do not see how Japan can break off the negotiations without replying to the Russian note and setting forth her minimum demands."

The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, in response to an urgent message, went early to the British embassy today, where he was closeted with the ambassador, Sir Claude S. Scott, for over an hour.

Even the Chinese minister, who is seldom seen in the streets, was abroad in a gorgeous sleigh seeking information.

At all the embassies the attaches were busy getting off cipher dispatches to their governments. But the high officials say misinterpretations are being placed on Russian movements in the far east, which represent Russia as already engaged in aggressive tactics. As an illustration they cite a dispatch published in London reporting the alleged mysterious departure of the Russian fleet from Port Arthur. The chief of the naval staff authorized the Associated Press to say that the warships left the harbor to try their engines, so as to be ready to meet the Japanese warships in case of an attack and added that the vessels which had returned to Port Arthur would not re-enter the harbor because the entrance was so narrow that they could be "bottled up."

POSTMASTER NAMED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5—Fourth class postmaster appointed today:

New Hampshire—Bartlett, Edgar A. Stevens

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both news-stands in the Union station, Boston.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, State House, Boston, Feb. 3, 1904. The Committee on Labor will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of the governor's address relating to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration; also House bill No. 171, for extension of powers of State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, at room No. 240, State House, on Monday, Feb. 8, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Samuel Ross, Chairman, Thos. Donahue, Clerk of the Committee.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 12, 1903. Trains leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.42, *7.45, *8.50, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.39, x6.45, w6.50, 7.01, *7.24, 7.31, *7.48, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.50, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.05, 12.14, w12.45, 1.44, *1.56, w2.30, x3.03, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.06, 5.22, x5.49, w*6.15, *6.22, w7.00, 7.29, w9.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 6.39, 7.24, w8.15, 8.48, 9.20 a. m.; w12.05, w1.05, 4.25, w5.30, 5.58, w8.00 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, z7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, wq11.25 p. m. Sundays, w8.18 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, n2.50, n3.65, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.25, q11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, 6.50, z7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast and Rockland, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland,) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland,) Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m. Last trip of season Oct. 30, 1903.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 4.25, 5.58 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m.; (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.39, *10.39, a. m.; *12.09, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *1.39 (to Franklin only.) 5.40, *b8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.,) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.39 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *b9.10, 9.24 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *b9.10 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *b8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air line, *10.39 a. m.; *b9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.

References:
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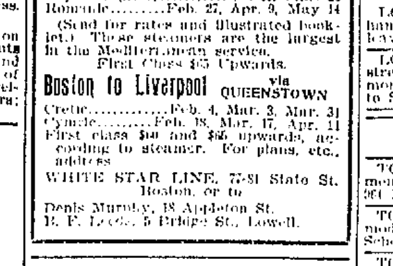

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SODA WATER pays large profits; fountains from $65 up, on easy monthly payments; little cash required; catalogue of great bargains free; do not delay or you may be too late; soda water tanks repaired. Robt. M. Green & Sons, Philadelphia, Pa.

FOR SALE—First-class parlor stove. Call at 21 Coral street evenings.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 25 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT—Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. F. B. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—Goldfinches, green and gray linnets; also 200 young canaries; choice of this lot $1.50; also lot of gold fish at three for 25c at Moore's Bird Store, 132 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Follows, 158 Merrimack St.

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LADIES—When in need send for free trial of our never failing remedy; relief sure and quick. Paris Chemical Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK—$3 worth of any kind of trading stamps given with one pound of our 60c tea; $5 worth with our 50c tea; $1 worth with our 38c coffee; also fresh creamery butter from Vermont every week. The Elwood Tea and Coffee Co., Davis square.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weakly, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MADAM LENORE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

MRS. FLETCHER, 769 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

MRS. ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office. 335 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

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WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2½ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Padden, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1064 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Rundall, Chelmsford Centre.

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IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Black seal glove Thursday evening in Huntington hall. Reward for return to 705 Bridge street.

LOST—Thursday noon, Boston terrier, mahogany brindle, screw tail, bat ears. Finder will be rewarded at 63 Willow St.

LOST—A brown leather bill book containing a small sum of money. Return to Sun office and receive reward.

LOST—A shepherd dog, nine months old. Finder please return to H. Dockett, 80 Concord street.

LOST—Monday afternoon between Chalifoux's store and Middle street entrance to Middlesex club, a pair of eyeglasses in case. Finder rewarded at Sun office.

LOST—A pocketbook between Mannahan and Merrimack streets. Finder please leave at Sun office.

LOST—Between Moody and Central streets, brown hand bag containing money, keys and other articles. Return to Sun office. Reward.

TO LET

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8.00, G. P. Walker, 961 Middlesex street.

TO LET—A 6-room tenement with all modern improvements. Apply at 227 School street.

TO LET—Furnished front room in private family, with modern conveniences. Apply 9 Butterfield street.

TO LET—Queen street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $4.50; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 61 Central street.

TO LET—Newly furnished rooms, gas and bath. 323 Central street.

TO LET—Clean, pretty tenement of 4 rooms, $1.25 per week. Inquire 22 Jewett street.

TO LET—One 4-room and one 3-room tenement. Inquire at 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 631 Broadway; rent low.

TO LET—Blacksmith shop fully equipped ready for business. Apply at 355 Lincoln street.

TO LET—A desirable house on South Canton street, all modern improvements, steam heat. Inquire at 912 Middlesex St.

TO LET—5, 6, 7-room tenements in good repair. 164 Lawrence street.

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SWORN CIRCULATION OF THE SUN

The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was: **15,432**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Hon. Bourke Cockran is likely to be elected to congress in New York without opposition. He will be a great power in the councils of the nation. He is the best orator in the United States today and his voice for or against any public measure will be a potent force. As an orator Cockran has the rare power that sways the multitude and that becomes after a time irresistible. That is more than can be said of any other orator in this country.

THE LAW HAS NO EXCEPTIONS.

We do not see why any law against city officials being directly or indirectly interested in contracts for labor or material for the city should be restricted to plumbing alone. The law makes no exception in regard to printing, electric work, lumber or anything else. Why the exceptions? Let the law be enforced alike against all.

THE GAMBLING IN COTTON.

The gambling by which the price of cotton has been advanced from nine to eighteen cents calls for legal correction. No man can be prevented from entering into a legitimate transaction but it seems that there should be some law to prevent the cornering of public necessities for the sole purpose of increasing the price. It is monopoly pure and simple and until the operation of monopolies is properly restricted we can have no protection against the speculators cornering the market in public necessities.

AS TO LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

The article in another column exposing the bluff under which some papers affecting temperance sympathies have published liquor advertisements, will be found interesting especially to temperance workers. It proves by official declarations of postal authorities that a newspaper can reject such advertisements as a matter of policy or on moral grounds. The article is well worth reading as showing the subterfuges by which some papers occasionally work both sides of a public question.

THAT POLICE BOARD BILL.

Representative O'Brien has brought forward an important question in the legislature in the bill providing for the election of the police board by the people.

We have on a former occasion shown how necessary it is to separate the license-granting power from the police power.

The board that grants the licenses should not have the control of the police. The license granting board might best be elected by the people, but the police board divested of the license granting power should not be elected by the people. Why?

Because the board has control of the police and can use intimidation or afford protection to wrong doers sufficient to secure a re-election.

The election by the people of the police board with its present powers or reduced as proposed would keep police matters in politics and add fresh corruption and complications from year to year.

With the licensing board the case would be different. If they performed their duties faithfully the people would re-elect them, but not otherwise. The liquor dealers would be the only class that would be interested in holding them in office. But if the term of office were limited to to two years this danger would be largely overcome. Besides, the people could hold over the heads of the dealers the threat of no license which would probably cause them to be cautious about engaging in political fights even for license commissioners.

What should be done with Mr. O'Brien's bill then is to amend it so that the police board may be shorn of the license-granting power and that this power shall be vested in a new board to be elected by the people.

This, it seems, would be the best disposition of the matter; the best remedy for the existing evils arising afrom the menacing power, political and otherwise, of the police board as now constituted.

REPUBLICAN CROAKERS AND DEMOCRATIC PESSIMISTS.

This is a great time for republican croakers and democratic pessimists. These two classes seem to have combined to convince this country that the democratic party is hopelessly wrecked by Mr. Bryan.

Papers from the Louisville Courier-Journal down to the New Orleans Picayune are raking Mr. Bryan and booming Mr. Cleveland. Colonel Watterson represents Bryan as the exponent of a political faith cure and while the New Orleans paper does not so severely berate Mr. Bryan it extols Mr. Cleveland as the hope of the country.

The following is a sample of its wailing:

"Mr. Cleveland is by all odds the strongest, the greatest democrat and the greatest American alive today, but the mention of his name makes Mr. Bryan foam at the mouth, and this would mean a hopelessly divided party. Mr. Bryan himself would only add a third defeat to the two to which he has already led the party, and he is not to be thought of.

"Mr. Hill and Senator Gorman are clever politicians, but they can never lead the democracy to victory. Something more is needed now than political cleverness to unite the democratic party and wield it as a thunderbolt against the crumbling fabric of the republican party. As for the others who are mentioned as democratic presidential possibilities, they are too little known and too little able to excite enthusiasm enough to rouse the apathetic democracy."

The Picayune seems not to have heard of the candidacy of Hon. Richard Olney, a Massachusetts man of eminent ability, a man who will be remembered as the author of a famous letter on the enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine when England was encroaching upon Venezuela. The papers that see no salvation for the country or the democratic party but in the restoration of Mr. Cleveland to power are more prejudiced than is Mr. Bryan or his following who stubbornly oppose Cleveland.

We are not in accord with either the croakers or the pessimists. We are not in accord with the bolters who now pose as the harmonizers and appeal for the defeat of the majority. We believe in majority rule and we believe in sending to the rear any man or candidate who is unwilling to accept the decision of the democratic majority whether as to a candidate or a platform. There seems to be a disposition on the part of the bolters of 1896 to take hold now with the fixed determination to rule or ruin. Inasmuch as the men who led the party in 1896 and again in 1900 were defeated, they should not insist upon dominating the convention as to candidates or platform lest they be set down as political wreckers. Moderation, political sagacity and submission to the will of the majority are the elements upon which the democratic convention must rely for whatever success it may attain. Without these it can do nothing except stir up endless strife and controversy that will give the republican party another lease of power.

SEEN AND HEARD

The fellow who has been the first robin for the last 50 years is getting ready.

It was E. D. McVey, Esq., who discovered the snowball sandwich.

Expect little from those you treat best and spare yourself disappointment.

These are the days when the mind of man is lowly. The poor fellow has to watch his feet.

The newness has gone from the snow and the small boy has almost forgotten how to make a snowball.

The old saw tells us not to look a gift horse in the mouth and it is also a good plan to keep a safe distance from his heels.

The man who remains sober long enough to regret his words and actions while drunk but lives today to moan of yesterday. Whiskey is a poor panacea for a sore heart and a tyrant at the door of the wage-earner.

The newspaper man so prosperous as to sport an automobile during the summer months and a south sea sealskin cap and snowshoes in the winter is a wonder in his day and generation.

The fellow who has been singing, "When the roses bloom again beside the river," all winter, will probably change to, "Snow, Beautiful Snow," when the trees begin to bud.

You may climb the mountain of sorrow,
Or sail on a tear-stained tide,
But be sure 'nd get out from under
When the snow begins to slide.

If we were schoolboys again, romping and playing and minus a cure, the cake that our life partners make would probably taste as good as the cake that "mother used to make."

A fellow down in Gloucester, who imagines that he has heaped upon him more than one man's share of trouble, suggests that it would be well to change the name of "Old Home Week" to "Trouble Telling Week," and yet there are those who will tell you that the lobsters have all disappeared from Gloucester.

A correspondent who signs himself J. M. Q., writes to "Mr. Seen and Heard" as follows:

"I notice that the police are very anxious as to the condition of sidewalks throughout the city, but they seem to lose sight of the fact that the walk in front of the Market street building has a coating of ice four inches thick. J. M. Q."

"Mr. Seen and Heard" has investigated the sidewalk and finds that it is covered with ice, but he is glad to add that the department is not a bit stingy with its sand.

The story is told of a dignified clergyman in this city who had a parishioner addicted to drink. The parishioner was a very good man barring his love for whiskey. One night the minister met him coming home in such a condition that he remonstrated with him on the spot. By way of clinching his argument, he asked: "What would you say if you were to see me reeling along the street in a hopeless state of intoxication?"

The good-natured parishioner was silent for a few moments, apparently in deep meditation. The minister believed that he had at last touched the nerve that controlled the drinking habit of the offender. "Come, John," he urged, "what do you say?"

"I wouldn't tell a soul, sir," answered John.

The patrol sleigh was very much in evidence in the street yesterday and a great many people got the impression that the police were having a very busy day. The patrol, however, was not answering bell calls. There was a green horse on the nigh side that James Kilburn, the veteran driver, was breaking in. Mr. Kilburn has shown a good many green "uns" the way during his fourteen years of service in the capacity of driver for the police department and he knows a horse from A to Z. The new horse was purchased by the police department about a month ago. He has had the distemper, but is now ready for business.

Amateur theatricals seem to have taken on new life in Lowell and already three Catholic societies have arrangements under way for the production of standard plays. The Mathew Temperance Institute which has attained eminent success in the dramatic line in years past is to present the comedy drama "The Charity Ball," on May 4th. The Catholic Young Men's Lyceum of St. Patrick's has completed preparations for the presentation of the drama "Friends" next week in aid of St. Patrick's church, while the Young Men's Catholic Institute of Belvidere deviates from the profound drama in producing "The Bohemian Girl," a piece that gives the choral society of the institute an opportunity to show its worth.

The many friends of Rev. Joaquin V. Rosa, pastor of St. Anthony's (Portuguese) church, who went to the Azores in search of health, will be pleased to learn that he will return to Lowell in April. The popular clergyman upon being assigned here shortly after the formation of the parish, worked unceasingly night and day, which in a measure contributed to his health becoming impaired and subsequently his departure for a more desirable climate.

He is held in high regard by the Portuguese residents of the city who sincerely hope for his return.

AN ENTERTAINMENT

IN AID OF MT. VERNON FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.

A musical and literary entertainment in aid of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church will be given at the church on Monday evening in which Mr. Walter David, impersonator and reader, will appear, assisted by Miss Anna Perry, pianist and harpist. The entertainment will begin at 7.45. Admission 25 cents.

SHAWKNIT LOOPERS

HELD THEIR THIRD ANNUAL PARTY AT PRESCOTT HALL.

The Shawknit loopers held their third annual dancing party at Prescott hall last evening and the affair proved to be a grand success, there being a large attendance of loopers and their friends. Dancing was commenced shortly after eight o'clock and Hibbard's orchestra played pleasant strains until midnight. The hall was prettily decorated with evergreen and potted plants.

The officers of the party were as follows: General managers, Lizzie McLean, Leola Cragie, Bertha Foote; floor managers, Alex Pearson, Charles Pearson, Philip Audette; aids, Lizzie Ray, Alice McNully, Daisy Thatcher, Elizabeth Clinton, Lucy Bernard, Katie Smith, Martha Thatcher, Blanche Dennis.

OAKVIEWS DANCED

GAY ASSEMBLY AT THOMAS TALBOT HALL.

The second social of the Oakviews was held at Thomas Talbot Memorial hall last night and the affair was largely attended, more than 75 couples being present, including a large number from Lowell and the towns surrounding Billerica. Dancing was enjoyed from eight o'clock until midnight, music being furnished by Kittredge's singing orchestra.

The following had charge of the party: General manager, Fred Conley; floor director, Fred J. Gannon; chief aid, Charles E. Cowdrey; aids, Charles Defoe, Fred Hannon, William Costello and Fred Corr.

IRON-OX Tablets For the Bowels.

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all light grounds, plaited fronts, sizes 15 to 17 only, 50c goods - - - - **25c**

Sale of Men's Neglige Shirts
spring patterns, all sizes, 14 to 17, woven and printed madras, separate cuffs—each **35c**
3 Shirts for $1.00

Sale of Boys' Neglige Shirts
new spring patterns, all sizes 12 to 14, two collars and a pair of cuffs with each shirt **35c**
3 Shirts for $1.00

Sale of Men's and Boys' Flannel Night Shirts
Handsome patterns of Domet, cut extra long and wide, closing out for - - - **37½c**

Sale of Fine Neckwear
qualities up to $1.00. English Squares, Puffs, Ascots and Four-in-Hands, all shapes **35c**
3 for $1.00

Sale of Fine Suspenders
brand new goods, handsome designs; full elastic webs, plated buckles. Regular price 50c, for - - - - - - - - **19c**

Sale of Men's All Wool Overcoats
heavy oxford and black frieze and kerseys, were $10 and $8, all now - - **$5.00**

Sale of All Wool Overcoats
for young men and boys up to 18 years, cut long, finely tailored, were $10, all now **$5.00**

Sale of Boys' Belt Overcoats
sizes 4 years to 9. Best value ever offered for $2.50—now marked to close - - **$1.50**

CITY HALL NOTES

Among the other improvements which Supt. Conlon has asked the appropriation committee to allow him to install is a motor in Huntington hall to run the big fan on the heating apparatus now run by an engine. The cost of the new motor will be $500, and judging by what Supt. Conlon, his foreman and his engineer say about the proposed improvement the motor will pay for itself in one year. At the present time an engine runs the fan. Huntington hall being heated by the indirect system and it takes about 10 pounds of steam to get heat. Under the new system with a motor running the fan 10 pounds would be sufficient to heat the building properly. The saving in coal alone will pay for the motor in one year. But the saving in coal is not the only advantage to be gained by the installation of the motor. It will have another use in another season of the year quite as important as furnishing heat, namely of furnishing cool air for Huntington hall during warm weather. As is a well known fact Huntington hall is frequently used in the warm months, and as any one who ever visited it on a warm evening will recall Huntington hall is like unto an oven in warm weather. Those who attended the graduation exercises of the High school last June on one tremendously hot night must still recall how sickening the atmosphere was on that occasion. Huntington hall is poorly ventilated and a bad place in hot weather and under present conditions there is no way of keeping it cool in summer. With a motor operating the big air fan the hall can be kept as cool as the traditional cucumber on the hottest night for the same fan which pumps in hot air in the winter can be utilized to pump in fresh cool air in warm weather. It is impossible to operate the fan in warm weather under the present arrangements as it would be necessary to light the fires to get the engine going. But with the fan operated by a motor it would be easy enough to keep the hall at a comfortable temperature. But another advantage to be had from the new motor is at the city carpenter shop. The motor which runs the machinery there while large enough to do duty at Huntington hall is not of sufficient size to meet all the requirements at the carpenter shop and it is Supt. Conlon's intention to get a larger motor for the carpenter shop for the $500, and remove the smaller one to Huntington hall.

One of the members of the park commission informed The Sun reporter that if the estimates of the commission are cut much by the appropriations committee there will be little or no work done in the department during the year as there will not be sufficient money, the commissioners having shaved down their estimate to the lowest level before submitting it.

The member of the appropriations committee who intimated at a recent meeting that he would not care to hear from Mr. Manning at a hearing given in regard to public opinion as to department appropriations will probably find Mr. Manning in a front row at the hearing waiting for an opportunity to express his views, and if we don't miss our guess Mr. Manning will incidentally give the committee his views on some of the rising young statesmen who get into City hall and make such "breaks" about citizens.

Charles W. Kelly, the well known painter of the firm of Kelly brothers, who made a fine run for the common council on the democratic ticket in ward one at the last city election, is a candidate for superintendent of streets. Mr. Kelly has friends in both parties and they are confident that he will be successful. Mr. Connors is still in the contest and in all probability will be considered further before Mr. Kelly is taken up.

Arthur C. Racicot, one of the numerous candidates for superintendent of lands and buildings, is the most confident of all the candidates. He is sure that if he could only get Councilman Cheney with him that he would win in a walk or at least a hop, step and jump. He intimates that in the event of Councilman Cheney coming over he might be tempted to give Mr. Bibeault second place in the event of his election. Racicot and Bibeault would certainly read most euphoniously on the pay roll. But there's neither rhyme nor reason in some things.

Pres. Braden, it is said, of the common council intends to facilitate matters by appointing his joint standing committees and his Fourth of July committee on the same night and thus making less work for the clerk. The Fourth of July order will be presented in about four months.

FLANAGAN WON PRIZE.

Private Flanagan of company C, Sixth regiment, won third prize in a drill held under the auspices of company E, of the Fifth regiment at Medford last night, the prize being a bronze medal. Sergts. Russell Going and J. Douglas Rivet of Company C received honorable mention.

Tea and Butterine

at wholesale. Old-fashioned dark yellow at half price of butter. Formosa, oolong, Ceylon, Assam, green, best that grows, 50 cents per lb., 4 lbs $1.00. Good tea, 3 lbs. 25c. Choice potatoes and apples.

Flynn's Market, 137 Gorham St.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

KILLED BY DOG

ANIMAL ANGERED BY BLOWS HE RECEIVED.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6—A boxing match with his dog, a great dane, which he had taught to stand up and fight in human fashion, has resulted in the death of Henry A. Thorne of Germantown. The fatal bout took place in the home of Thorne last Tuesday, and the unforeseen end came as a result of the fierce anger of the dog, which had been stirred up by the blow struck by his master.

Maddened by the pain and provoked, possibly, by the fact that he had failed to reach his adversary with his paws, the beast plunged forward and hurled its heavy body against his human antagonist, sending the latter flying to the ground. The dog landed with such force as to crush several of Thorne's ribs, broken bits of which punctured the lungs, which resulted in death.

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COTTON PANIC

Wild Scenes in New Orleans Market

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 6.—Yesterday saw the wildest scenes of this week in the cotton market. At the lowest levels of the day prices were from 152 to 180 points lower than the highest levels and about three cents lower than what cotton was selling for the first of the week.

The market was thrown into a panic soon after the opening by the immense quantity of cotton offered. Where the offerings came from was a mystery, but thousands of bales were thrown on the market forcing prices down ten and twenty points at a time. Such wild scenes were never before witnessed on the cotton exchange. Crowds of people lined Gravier street, watching the brokers. There appeared to be ten sellers to one buyer. At the height of the turmoil the bull leader, W. P. Brown, pleaded with the brokers to stop offering their cotton fifteen and twenty points under the market.

"You will break the market and yourselves if you continue," he said. "Take the cotton yourselves and carry it and you will make a profit on it."

Brown's stand against the selling immediately had its effect as it was clearly evidenced to everyone that the rules of the exchange were being broken by the way many brokers were offering cotton. The bull leader followed his speech by heavy bidding and buying and in a few minutes other longs followed his lead and in a short time, in place of the panic, comparative quiet reigned and prices showed a material recovery, although the market had a weak tone up to the close.

At the lowest levels of the day, March had lost 152 points at 13.88; May 17.5 points at 14.15, and July had lost 180 points at 14.50. The close was from 65 to 70 points higher than the lowest levels of the day.

SUNDAY SERMONS

TO BE PREACHED AT DIFFERENT CHURCHES TOMORROW.

BAPTIST.

First George street, corner Church street, Rev. Smith T. Ford, D. D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Junior Young People's society at 5.15 p. m.; evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "God's Consolations," communion and reception of members. Evening, 6.30, "Going! Going! Gone!" The last in the series of "A Modern Auction Block."

Mount Vernon Free Baptist—Butterfield street, corner of Mount Vernon street, Rev. Stephen D. Millin, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 11.45 a. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

First Freewill Paige street, Rev. D. B. Martin, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Immanuel Blossom street, Rev. Robert F. True, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Y. P. S. C. E. at 5.30 o'clock; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Preaching morning and evening by Evangelist Rev. N. H. Harriman. Singing by Gospel Soloist William James Taylor.

Chelmsford Street Freewill—Chelmsford street, corner of Plain street, Rev. Albert E. Kenyon pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at noon.

Worthen Street—Rev. Arthur Wedge, pastor. Morning service at 10.30; evening service at 6.30; C. E. meeting at 5.15.

Morning, "Andrew Finding Peter." Evening, second in series of stumbling blocks, "My Business Will Not Let Me Become a Christian."

French Baptist church, corner of Ennell and West Sixth streets, Rev. Isaac La Fleur pastor.

Branch street, Middlesex street, opposite the easterly junction of Branch and Middlesex streets, Rev. Asa Reed Dills, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Young People's meeting at 5.45 p. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Evangelist Maplesden will preach morning and evening and Miss Ivy Pierce of Boston will sing.

North Billerica—Rev. E. E. Scates, pastor. Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Hadley Street Freewill Baptist.

CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany. Gospel read in the mass and made the general subject of sermons: Matt. XIII 24-30.

St. Patrick's—Owing to the destruction of the church, services tomorrow will be held as follows: In Associate hall masses will be sung at 7 and 8 for adults, 9.30 for children, and high mass at 10.30. The 9 o'clock mass for adults will take place in Huntington hall.

St. Peter's—Gorham street, Rev. Michael Ronan, rector. First mass at 6 a. m.; second mass at 7 a. m.; third mass at 8 a. m. (new church); children's mass at 9 a. m. (St. Paul's chapel); fourth mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 7 p. m.

St. Michael's, Sixth street, Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor. First mass at 6.30 o'clock; children's mass at 8.15 a. m.; second mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 1.30 p. m.; vespers at 3 p. m.

Immaculate Conception (Oblate Fathers) East Merrimack street between Brown and High streets, Rev. E. A. Dorgan, O. M. I., pastor. First mass at 6 a. m.; second mass at 7.30 a. m.; children's mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

Church of the Sacred Heart (Oblate Fathers), Moore street, opposite Andrews street, Rev. John P. Reynolds, O. M. I., pastor—First mass at 6 a. m.; children's mass at 8 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

St. Jean Baptiste (Oblate Fathers), Merrimack street, corner of Aiken street, Rev. Joseph Maugin, O. M. I., rector. First mass at 7 a. m.; children's mass at 8.30 a. m.; high mass with sermon at 10 a. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

St. Joseph's (Oblate Fathers), Lee street, corner of Kirk street, Rev. Joseph A. Fournier, O. M. I., rector—First mass at 7 a. m.; second mass at 8.30 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10 a. m.; vespers at 3 o'clock.

St. Anthony's (Portuguese), Gorham street, corner of Congress street, Rev. Fr. Ferriera, acting pastor. First mass at 8 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL.

First—Merrimack street, opposite the public library, Rev. Ralph Gilliam, acting pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 5.30 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Highland—Westford street, corner of South Canton street, Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor—Morning prayer at 10.10 o'clock; sermon at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Morning, "The Present Lordship of Jesus Christ." Evening, "After Death, What?"

High Street—East Merrimack street, corner of High street, Rev. Charles W. Huntington, D. D., pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock, Sunday school at 12 m., Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.15 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock. The pastor will preach morning and evening.

Kirk Street—Kirk street, opposite French street, Rev George E. Martin, D. D., pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Rev. S. H. Woodrow, D. D., of Hope church, Springfield, Mass., will occupy the pulpit, Sunday morning and evening. Dr. Woodrow is one of the ablest preachers in New England.

Eliot—Summer street, corner of Fayor street, Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, pastor. Rev. J. M. Greene, D. D., pastor emeritus. Morning service 10.30, Sunday school 12; Y. P. S. C. E. 6.30. Evening service at 7.

Morning 10.30—Christ's Way With Sin.

Evening 7.00—Lincoln and the Gospel.

First Trinitarian—Dutton street, corner of Music Hall avenue, Rev. George F. Kenngott, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Centre—Dracut, Rev. Fredk. L. Kelley, pastor—Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Pawtucket—Pawtucket square—Rev. Edwin R. Smith, minister. Morning worship at 10.30; Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6; evening service at 7.

Morning, "Was Abraham Lincoln Mistaken?" Evening, "The People of Abraham Lincoln." A theme suggested by John Fox's story, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." Patriotic music in evening.

Swedish—London street, pastor, Rev. C. A. Bjornhom—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

French—Bowers street, corner of Fletcher street, Rev. T. G. A. Cote, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Hillside, Dracut—Rev. J. A. McKnight, pastor—Services at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school and pastor's class at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.15 p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Morning, "Thy Kingdom Come." Evening, Christian Endeavor Decision Day at 6.15—Exercises followed by lecture by pastor.

Evangelical—Tyngsboro, Rev. Sarah A. Dixon, pastor—Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.30 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Tewksbury Congregational—Morning services at 10.30; Sunday school at noon; evening service at 6.30.

Pelham church—Rev. J. L. Hoyle, pastor. Preaching at 10.45 a. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

North Chelmsford Congregational—Robert W. Dunbar, pastor. Morning service at 10.30.

Chelmsford Centre Congregational. Rev. Dr. J. M. Greene will preach at 10.45 a. m. Subject—"The White Stone."

EPISCOPAL.

St. Anne's—Merrimack street, corner of Anne street, Rev. A. St. John Chambre, D. D., rector.

St. John's Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock. Communion first and third Sundays and on the greater festivals.

House of Prayer—Sunday services matins 7.15, low mass 7.30; litany, 10.30; high mass and sermon, 10.45; vespers 7.

All Saints, Chelmsford. Services and sermon, 10.45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12. Evening service, 7; Holy communion, 10 a. m.; first Sunday in the month, 10.45.

LUTHERAN.

Swedish—Meadowcroft street—Sunday school at 9 o'clock a. m.; morning service at 10.30 o'clock; evening service at 7 o'clock.

METHODIST.

First Primitive—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Morning, "The Modern Demands of Discipleship." Evening, communion and reception service.

St. Paul's—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school and Bible class at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30.

Morning, reception of members and communion. Evening, "Ruinous Alliances."

Centralville M. E.—Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 6.45 p. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Epworth league at 6 p. m.

Highland—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Central—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Epworth league meeting at 5.15 o'clock; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

First Swedish—Moore street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Worthen Street—Worthen street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Berean Primitive—Moore street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Wesley church—Merrimack square—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First—Appleton street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Morning, "Clean Hands." Evening "The Cross Proof of God's Love."

Westminster United—Tyler street. Morning, "Miracles, Are They Possible With Us Today?" Evening, "Why Fuller Understanding Is Not Given to Some of the Deep Things of God."

UNITARIAN.

First—Merrimack street. Regular morning service at 10.45 o'clock. Sunday school immediately following the morning service.

Morning, "The Sixth Beatitude." Evening at 7, Rev. James DeNormandi, D. D., at Grace Universalist church.

Free—Middlesex street. Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.

UNIVERSALIST.

First—Hurd street. Morning service at 10.30; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 o'clock.

Morning, "Les Miserables" Victor Hugo's great story. Evening, union service in Grace church.

Grace—Princeton street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.

The Church in Modern Life. Union service at 7. Rev. James De Normandi of Roxbury will preach.

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The Lowell & Pelham road, the Lawrence & Methuen road, and the Haverhill & Southern New Hampshire road are to be leased to the Hudson, Pelham & Salem Street Railway Co. The plan is said to be, eventually, a consolidation of the whole net work of railways in southern New Hampshire under the name of Exeter, Hampton & Amesbury company.

These men who control the latter company now control the Hudson, Pelham & Salem company.

The leases will make no change in the service, but will effect a better harmony of management. They have been authorized by the New Hampshire commissioners and will be by the Massachusetts board later.

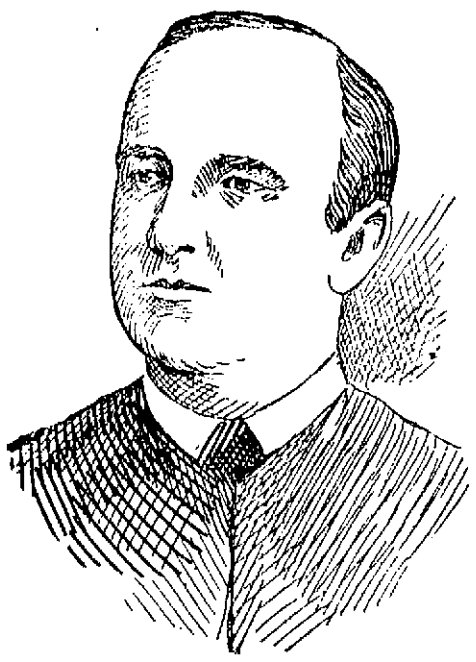
SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

What proved to be one of the jolliest and most successful sleighride parties that have gone from this city thus far this winter, left Chestnut street at 8 o'clock last evening and proceeded to Billerica Centre. The party was made up of 25 of the boarders of Mrs. F. C. Kennedy, the popular and well known Belvidere landlady and the large "pung" drawn by four horses never contained a jollier crowd.

The party arrived after an exceedingly enjoyable trip at Smith's farm, Billerica Centre, where an appetizing repast was served. After the festive proceedings, dancing was enjoyed and games were played until a late hour. The trip back was made in good time and the merrymakers reached home covered with snow but all in good spirits. The party reached Chestnut street about half past one this morning. Messrs. George Preble and John Davidson had charge of the arrangements.

LADIES OF CHARITY.

An important meeting of the Ladies of Charity of St. Patrick's church will be held in the brothers' school hall at 4 o'clock, Sunday afternoon.



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Brother Isidor, who has been master of studies at Mt. St. Joseph's college on the Frederick road, near Baltimore, for 19 years, has been made director of the institution, succeeding Brother Joseph, deceased.

This appointment will not take him away from his former position as master of studies.

Brother Isidor is well known in Lowell, where he made many friends during a vacation he passed here about nine years ago.

Brother Isidor was born in Bodman, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, Germany, April 24, 1853. He spent his early life there and came to this country with his parents at an early age. They went direct to Louisville, Ky. He studied at St. Boniface's school and St. Xavier's college. August 15, 1866, at the age of 13, he applied for a membership in the brotherhood.

At 16 he began teaching at St. Xavier's college and has been teaching since. Brother Donatus, who formerly was director of St. Patrick's school in this city, now director of St. Mary's industrial school, and provincial of the order, was a teacher in Louisville at the time and he helped educate Brother Isidor.

In August, 1885, Brother Isidor came to Baltimore and took charge of the studies at Mt. St. Joseph's. Said he to a representative of the Baltimore American:

For 35 years I have not missed a day in the classroom, except when I was compelled to leave the college on visits, and they have been few and far between. I have not known a day's vacation, and if I had one would not know what to do with myself.

Even in the summer I teach. Three years ago I was appointed inspector of the schools and that keeps me somewhat busy. The past three summers I have taught the younger brothers of the order at Old Point Comfort, Va., and Danvers, Mass., and at the college here, on the method of teaching.

My whole life has been spent among boys and I love them. In fact, I have been so much with them that I feel myself getting like them. I sometimes find it difficult to act otherwise. Boys are not bad after you get to know them. They love me, I know, for I can tell it by their obedience.

Strange to say I do not know what it is to buy a piece of clothing, or anything even so small as a shoestring. Since I entered the brotherhood I have never been called on to handle money, and I feel at a loss to know how to go about my new duties, which call for just such knowledge. When I needed anything, all I did was to ask for it, and it was given me. That state of affairs has existed since I was 15 years old, and now I am 50. I must begin at this late age to learn the art of finance.

Another thing that will be strange will be changing my sleeping quarters. For 19 years I have had my bed in the dormitory with the boys. Tonight I will make a change, as it will not be in keeping for the director to sleep with the boys. By my leaving them does not mean that I want to. It is because I have to. I had to tough last night when I entered the dormitory and heard the boys whispering that I was coming to sleep with them for one more night. Their delight at knowing it was simply a treat. If my boys were taken from me I think it would kill me. They are all I have and constitute my world.

Brother Isidor is the youngest postulant that has ever been admitted to the order. In 1884, Brother Isidor organized the Alumni association at Louisville, and started that organization on its successful way before leaving that city. He has been president of the athletic association at the college but will now retire. As professor of mathematics at the college he is unexcelled, and it is contended that he is the best teacher in the country in that particular branch.

Brother Norbert, of the college, has been appointed assistant director, and will take complete charge of all the clerical work, thus taking a great deal of that from Brother Isidor's shoulders.

Brother Norbert is a Lowell boy, having been born and reared in St. Patrick's parish.

SOCIAL AND DANCE

BY THE HIGHLAND COACHMEN'S CLUB.

The first social and dance of the Highland Coachmen's club was held last evening at Highland hall and was a great success. Music was furnished by Hadley's orchestra. The officers who had charge of the affair follow: General manager, Thomas F. Dooley; assistant general manager, Edwin A. Davis, floor director, Sandy Dunn; assistant floor director, James Dunn; chairman of reception committee, Owen Hannagan; aids, Michael Khnardi, George Murchand, Steve Walton, Swan Swanson, Harry Pentse, John Collins.

MEN'S LEAGUE MET.

The Men's League of the First Universalist church held an enthusiastic meeting in the vestry last evening. Nearly every member of the organization was present and twelve new names were added to the rolls. The business affairs connected with the recent supper of the league were settled, and it was decided to hold a banquet early in March. The following interesting program was given: Piano solo, Percy Hands; vocal solo, Arthur Fisher; selection by the league quartet, Messrs. John Dalton, Daniel McKenzie, George McVicker and Gordon Lee; banjo solo, Roy Gordon; monologue, John MacNamara and Frank Johnson.

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Last evening he went to the house where his wife is stopping and asked her to return. She refused and he went at once to the hardware store of A. H. Totman, purchased a revolver, returned to the front of the house, and placing the muzzle over his heart fired one shot and fell. The bullet glanced upward, missed his heart, and although it has not been located, the surgeons think there is a chance for the man to recover.

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ST. LOUIS' CHURCH

Will be Formally Dedicated Tomorrow Morning

The new church edifice of St. Louis will be formally dedicated to the service of God tomorrow morning and the new French parish in lower Centralville will become a reality.

The dedicatory services will begin at 10 o'clock and the officiating clergyman will be Very Rev. Fr. Lefebvre, O. M. I., provincial of the Oblate order in America, who will specially represent Most Rev. John J. Williams, archbishop of Boston, who will be unable to be present. At the conclusion of the dedicatory service solemn high mass will be celebrated by Fr. Lafebvre, assisted by local priests and he will also preach the sermon. He will be attended by Rev. Fr. Jacques, pastor of the new church, and several local clergymen. Contrary to expectations, Rev. Fr. Opesine Lacroix, assistant to Fr. Jacques, will be unable to attend, as he is now temporarily in charge of a parish at Waltham, the pastor of which is ill. The choir under the direction of Alller David will render the harmonized mass in the second tone, Mrs. J. A. Foisy presiding at the organ. Solemn vespers and benediction will be held in the evening.

The new church was built in record time. Three weeks ago last Tuesday the first work was started and in two weeks from that date the church was nearly completed. All day yesterday the work of placing the 800 new pews in position was going on, that they might be in readiness for the opening services tomorrow. In the building of the church the most expert carpenters under the direction of Jacques Boisvert have been engaged. The outside of the church has been painted a dark brown, while the inside is tastefully finished in Georgia pine. The choir loft is large enough to accommodate at least half a hundred people. At the other end of the building is the altar, which is constructed of wood and is pure white in color. The church is heated by a system of hot air, which is carried to the auditorium through three large registers.

The parish church is not an adjunct to the Order of Mary Immaculate, as Rev. J. N. Jacques, the pastor, is a secular priest. In the birth of this parish, the other French Catholic churches lose 696 families or 3478 persons, a large number of whom are young people. Though the district in which this place of worship is located is not nearly as thickly populated as are the other French Catholic sections of the city, within the past few years the neighborhood has grown very rapidly and it is a foregone conclusion that the opening of a new church will attract many more French Catholics to the neighborhood.

The parochial residence is located but a few rods away from the church, on Boisvert street, and was built especially for the pastor of the church.

SKETCH OF PASTOR.

Rev. J. N. Jacques, the pastor, was born in Verchers, P. Q., in 1862, and received his education in the Academy L'Assomption of that town. When he was quite young he decided to devote his life to the work of God. This was when he was 12 years of age. In the year 1888 he became an ordained priest while residing in Montreal. It happened that in this year many French Canadians were emigrating to the United States and as a result he was sent to Salem, Mass., where he was assistant pastor in St. Joseph's Catholic church of that city. Here he remained for three years, when he was sent to Cochituate, Mass., where he was appointed pastor of St. Zephirin's church in that town. He remained there until about three weeks ago, when he was directed to come to Lowell.

The officers of the church society are representative French citizens and are as follows: John H. Beaulieu, president; George Lauziere, secretary; and J. A. Foisy, treasurer. The sexton is Dalphis Jarvais.

Following is a partial list of the members of the choir:

Men—Aller David, G. Gardeau, S. Saulard, A. Boisvert, E. Janvier, J. Trudeau, A. Delisle, G. E. Lauziere.

Women—Alice Pratte, M. Pratte, Ida Mongrain, A. Mongrain, Cora Pratte, R. Pratte, Edna Boisvert, Athi Boisvert, Mary Delisle, Alice Lambert, Eudora Dalaire and Ulrie Arcand.

THE LUCE LAW

IS GIVING ELECTION COMMISSIONERS LOTS OF TROUBLE.

The election commissioners are now in a quandary as to what they shall do about spring caucuses for the election of delegates to the national conventions. Under the Luce law provisions are made for the holding of municipal and state primaries, stating specifically that the law shall not apply to caucuses held in connection with national conventions.

From the above it appears that the caucuses for national delegates must be held under the old law. Of course, all this appears simple until someone asks about where the caucus officers are to come from.

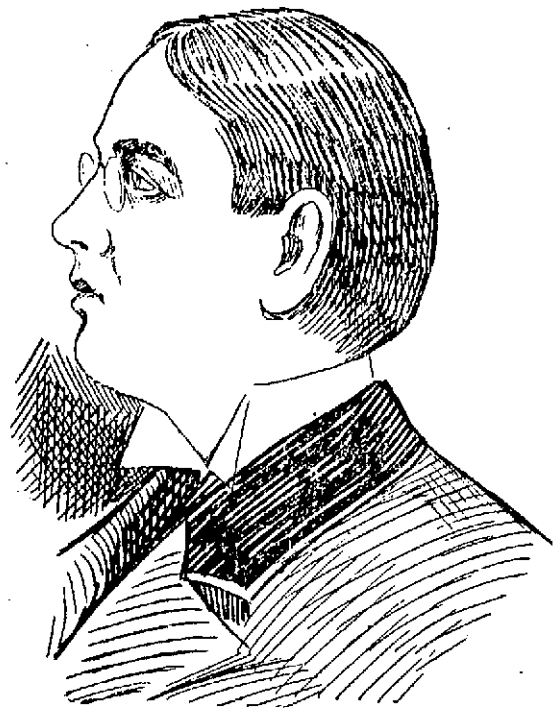
Under the Luce law the caucus officers are in the hands of the election commissioners. Under the old law the caucus officers were elected at the caucuses to serve for a year. There are now none serving under the old law, hence none to serve at the caucuses to be called under the old law in the spring.

The election commissioners realize that they can't hold caucuses without caucus officers, and they can't have caucus officers elected without holding caucuses. The caucus officers elected when the old law was in force were chosen by the parties themselves, and the terms of the last of such officers chosen have expired.

It is more than probable that the election commissioners will seek a remedy through the legislature.

LANDLORDS.

If you have a tenement idle that rents for $15 a month, you are losing 50 cents a day every day it is vacant. A little ad. in The Sun "To Let" column will rent your tenement in a very few days. Others have tried it with good results; why don't you try it?



CHARLES F. THWING.

THE LARGER LIFE

By President Charles F. Thwing

OF WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

Before Middlesex Women's Club

Yesterday afternoon the Middlesex Women's club was addressed by President Charles F. Thwing of Western Reserve university, Cleveland, Ohio. He had for his subject, "The Larger Life." He said in part:

"The thought is altogether too common that the largest life must be intellectual, and the most important part of the life intellectual is the life scholarly, scholastic. It is much to know the world as the world exists, from the tiny flower to the remotest star, so far as science in broad relations offers to us this world. It is also much to know the life of the world, historically. But I am inclined to think that our estimate of the value of scholarship is too high, in comparison with what we ought to regard the life of the thinker. To think is far more important than to know.

"I think that we teachers are inclined to overestimate the value of knowledge as an end in itself. When we reach a certain age our power of forgetting becomes happily greater than our power of gaining or holding. But knowledge as a means for making the thinkers is of superior and of supreme worth. It is not necessary to know much, but necessary is to have known much, and to have the results of knowledge in one's intellectual constitution. The person, therefore, who is able to think, who is able to find a principle, to take that principle and to find his way through the labyrinth of facts, that person has a large and the largest life.

"But of course we are not simply knowing or thinking beings. The ethical note is probably more fundamental than the intellectual. Only three or four days ago I was speaking with our president at Washington, whom I have the honor of knowing something, and in good fellowship I said to him, 'Have you no anxiety about the immediate future? He said, 'No;' and added, 'Whatever may come, I know that I have tried to be straight.' Whenever Theodore Roosevelt or any man, occupying a place conspicuous or obscure, is able to say, 'I know I have tried to be straight,' you may be sure that that man is living a large and a great life.

"But we are not simply intellectual or ethical beings; we are also aesthetic beings. We are able to appreciate the beautiful, the sublime, the magnificent. We are children of the Puritan and of the Pilgrim. Our forefathers, 250 years back, felt that beauty in forms was akin to a church that they did not like. We are the children of our fathers, but we have come to see that the noble beauty in the great dome of Santa Sofia or the arch of St. Peter's or Cologne, may embody emotions that lift and thrill, beneath the influence of which it is hard to be small and easy to be great.

"But we are still more than beings of the aesthetic, of the ethical, or of the intellectual. We are also beings of heart. Perhaps the heart is, of all the elements of being, the most fundamental. The essence of the heart is love. To love, is humanity's first joy, duty, privilege. Love of country seems to be an illustration of the embodiment and the epitome of life's fundamental note and characteristic.

"But man is also a doer. The man who is the doer is the man also of the larger and the largest life. Massachusetts in one relation has a most close affiliation with Ohio because Horace Mann, who revolutionized the school system of this state 60 years ago, did his last work and died in Ohio. Antioch college is great, memorable as Rugby, because Horace Mann was there.

"The larger life, then, the largest life, consists in these five simple elements: Thinking, appreciation of the right, appreciation of the beautiful, loving, and doing. Like a five-point star, hangs this great life over each of us. There are some who can be great thinkers; there are some who can embody great righteousness; there are some who can appreciate, at least in a degree, beauty, the sublime and the noble; there are some who can be great lovers not of one, but of all; and there are some who can be great doers, fighters, soldiers in the lasting battle for humanity; and they in some place include all. Therefore, in fundamental elements and relations, each of us may live the life that is larger and largest, and which is life itself."

HE MAY BE DEAD

Brockton Man's Friends Fear Foul Play

SAY THAT LIQUOR MEN PERSECUTED HIM

Accused Him of Being a Spotter

BROCKTON, Feb. 6.—Arthur E. Vincent, 36 Carter street, left his home about 10.30 Thursday morning of last week and has not been seen or heard from since. Members of his family do not hesitate to say they believe he has been murdered.

A. W. Vincent, father of the young man, said yesterday that the police some months ago employed a man named Vincent as a liquor spotter. Although it had nothing to do with the young man who is missing, members of the family say that, having the same name, he had been accused by many of being the same man, and that he had been offered many insults and threats, so many, in fact, that it became hard for him to get employment, and he had contemplated enlisting in the navy or on a cattle steamer, to get away from his persecutors. They refuse to believe that he has done either, however, as they say he would have notified them.

Vincent is a paperhanger and some time ago was papering a room when he came across a trap, evidently used for hiding liquors. The occupants of the house, according to his father, asked him to paper the room so that the trap could be used, and he did so. A few days after a raid was made by the police at the house, and Vincent was accused of having notified the police but the elder man says that this was not so.

A. W. Vincent, the father, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Fisher, brother-in-law and sister of the missing man, say they think that a search of the neighborhood may reveal his body, as they say those who would treat him as he has been treated since coming to this city would be none too good to murder him. They say they may bring some of their neighbors into court for slander and abuse in order to see if anything can be ascertained regarding his whereabouts.

LABOR MATTERS

HEARINGS ON THEM WILL BE HELD SOON.

The governor yesterday signed the bill relieving towns from operation of the Luce joint caucus act, which was passed last year.

The members of the special committee on the relations between employer and employe breathe easier now.

For five days, the limit allowed him by law, Governor Bates held up the resolve which provides for the printing of 10,000 copies of the report of the special commission which sat during the recess and discussed the relations referred to.

The report of this commission was the sole excuse for the creation of the special committee of the legislature and without copies of the report the committee could not go ahead and justify its existence by giving public hearings.

As soon as the copies are received, therefore, Senator Wallace, chairman of the committee, will call the committee together and decide on dates for hearings.

THE OLD SEE BETTER—THE YOUNG LOOK BETTER

When outfitted with eyeglasses or spectacles out of abundance we are in position to supply. Better—we'll say best—for old and young, therefore to have eyes measured, in a seeing sense, and fitted here where everything in the optical line is to be found.

HARRIS, 10 Appleton Street

You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

BOWLING ALLEYS

Vespers Defeat the Highland Team

Teams representing the Vesper club and the Highland club met on the Vespers' alleys in Pawtucket street last night and an interesting bowling contest was held which resulted in victory for the Vespers by a score of 1603 to 1527. But two strings were rolled owing to the fact that there were ten men to each team. Candle pins were used and good figures were in order.

Fred Grover of the Vesper team was high man with a two string total of 194, his single string of 101 being the record breaker of the night. Runels was high man for the Highland club with a total of 167, but the low scores of several of the Highland members caused the defeat. The score:

Vesper Team—J. Whittier 147, Grover 194, Brimhall 155, Thompson 151, Kerschner 157, Young 146, Stevens 170, Martin 163, Fletcher 158, Patten 162; total, 1603.

Highland Team—Sherburn 166, Sturtevant 456, Dickerman 129, Anderson 152, Lazelle 150, Wing 156, Barton 161, Green 158, R. Libby 148, Runels 167; total, 1527.

MOHAIRS WON.

The Mohairs defeated the Lowells last night on Les Miserables alleys by a score of 1193 to 1168. Southam and Jewett were the high men of their respective teams and both had the same three string total, which was 255. The score:

Mohair—Southam 255, Harrison 227, Sidebottom 233, Campbell 233, Harriman 245; total, 1193.

Lowell—Jewett 255, Jordan 230, McGreyney 225, Galvin 229, Bowen 229; total, 1168.

MILITIA SNOWED UNDER.

The High Rollers defeated Co. M last night by over 100 pins, the military boys being all to the bad. The score:

High Rollers—McGrath 225, Doyle 242, King 281, Cooney 263, Harrington 239; total 1250.

Co. M—McCarthy 255, Hammersley 208, Wood 222, Darcy 215, Hamel 246; total, 1146.

WELLINGTONS THE VICTORS.

The Wellingtons defeated the All-Stars last night by a score of 1263 to 1112. The score:

Wellingtons—Donnelly 204, Long 257, McNeely 243, Conway 257, Kelley 254; total, 1263.

All-Stars—Galvin 221, Carey 204, Berry 233, Flanagan 216, Starr 238; total, 1112.

RECREATION LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Ramblers	10	5	.667
Bigelows	10	5	.667
Orients	10	5	.667
Belmonts	8	7	.533
Mohairs	5	10	.333
Columbias	2	13	.133

BOWLING NOTES.

The Connemaras and Welch Wonders will meet on Les Miserables alleys Monday night for the third contest in the series of bowling games. The Wonders have won both games thus far and Deputy Welch says that it will be easy Monday night, but Sergt. Conners says that there will be something doing on the alleys Monday night and with several changes in the team and a good scorer his team will win.

It is understood that Peter Cawley of the Connemaras has been released and a "dark horse" is to take his place.

A pretty battle is now on in the Recreation league, the Ramblers, Bigelows and Orients being tied for first place.

O'Brien of the Ramblers has a lot to do with his team being at the head of the list. In fact put O'Brien in any kind of a fair team and he can do his share to score a victory.

REAL ESTATE SALES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEB. 6, 1904.

LOWELL.

Mary A. Coudry, administratrix to Patrick McGilley, land with buildings on Concord street, $3500.

Mary McNelley to Henry Smith, land on Bolt street, $1.

Henry Smith to C. Brooks Stevens, land on Bolt street, $1.

William H. Whitman to Woonsocket bank, several lots of land at Ayer's City, $1.

John P. Coburn et al to Warren A. Sherburn, the Bear Meadow, $1.

City Institution to Myles and Winifred Molony, the Sylvanus Bartlett estate, Summer street, $4150.

WILMINGTON.

Nathan Blodgett et al to Lawrence E. Swain, land with buildings on Middlesex avenue, $1.

DRACUT.

Napoleon Jodoin to Alice Jodoin, land at Greenmont park, $1.

Thomas J. McDonald to Charles E. McDonald, land on Mammoth road, $1.

CHELMSFORD.

George B. Thrasher to A. B. Adams, the Chestnut Hill lot, $1.

BILLERICA.

William H. Roberts to Arthur G. Mahoney, land at Pinehurst, $1.

PRIMARY UNION

ENTERTAINED BY MRS. HUGH GREEN.

Mrs. Hugh Green, secretary of the district primary work, entertained the members of the Primary union at the Worthen Street Methodist church yesterday afternoon and about 40 were present. Miss Lucy G. Stock gave a chalktalk on the next Sabbath's lesson and Rev. Mr. Allen gave an address on "The Child."

Children from the First Presbyterian church furnished additional entertainment.

Frances Leggat and Bernice Rodgers, duet; Florence Ramsay and Edna McAdams, duet; and Marion Gordon, reading.

The entertainment was followed by a social and refreshments. The ladies of the church helped Mrs. Green make this a very pleasant hour.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL.

The regular meeting of Passaconaway tribe of Red Men was held last night and five applications for membership were received. Three palefaces received the hunter's and warrior's degrees and the exaltion of the chief's degree will be performed at the next meting. Class initiation reported some twenty applications so far for March 25.

There were visiting brothers present and remarks were made on the good of the order. This tribe is now the largest in the Massachusetts reservation and great rivalry exists between Winnepuckett tribe of Lynn and Wingarshek tribe of Gloucester and the local tribe to see which one will hold the leadership at the next great council meeting in August.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

JOHN J. O'CONNELL, CHIEF MARSHAL OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE.

ROUTE OF PARADE

For St. Patrick's Day Demonstration

CONVENTION WILL MEET AGAIN TOMORROW

The Parade Will Form in Merrimack Square

The delegates to the St. Patrick's day convention will hold another meeting in Hibernian hall tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock when arrangements for the great demonstration so far as completed will be announced by the chief marshal and the division marshals. The outlook is now very favorable for an immense parade in which the Hibernians of this city, Nashua, Lawrence, Haverhill, Groveland, Woburn, Everett and Boston will take part.

There will also be organized at the convention tomorrow a business men's cavalcade which will compose one division of the parade.

It is more than probable that the lineup of march will be announced tomorrow after Chief Marshal John J. O'Connell has a conference with his staff officers and the division marshals. Mr. O'Connell's idea is to have the parade form in the vicinity of Merrimack square and this seems to be popular with about every one so far consulted. It is explained the formation of the parade at this point will accommodate all who intend to take part. The visitors will arrive in the square on special cars and they can repair to A. O. H. hall and don regalias and prepare for the turnout and no time will be lost. More than that it will save the different societies a great deal of marching. The plan under consideration is to have the staff of the chief marshal form on French street with right resting on Bridge street. The divisions will then form on Paige, John, Kirk and Ann streets, and each one will be picked up in turn.

TYNGSBORO FAIR

Annual Event of Village Improvement Society

The annual fair of the Village Improvement society of Tyngsboro took place last evening and was a big success. On account of the recent fire in the town hall, in which the fair was held, there were no decorations this year, but business was brisk throughout the evening, nevertheless, and a goodly sum was realized.

The people in charge of the various departments were as follows:

Kitchen—Mrs. Channing Whittaker, chairman; Mrs. Frederick Blanchard, Mrs. Louis Brandon, Mrs. Fannie Perham.

Dining room—Mrs. William Blanchard, Mrs. Fred Bancroft.

Fancy table—Mrs. Addie Perham, chairman; Mrs. John Truby, Mrs. George G. Dickey, Miss Ina Butterfield, Miss May Hadley.

Toy table—Miss Ophelia Brown, chairman; Miss Maud Perham, Miss Bernice Sherburne, Miss Kate Spaulding.

Domestic table—Mrs. Annie Horton, chairman; Mrs. Ayers Butterfield, Miss Ida Hunter, Miss Grace Whittaker.

Candy table—Miss Belle Perham, chairman; Miss Ellie Higgins, Miss Lottie Upton, Miss Jennie Bancroft.

Food table—Mrs. Daniel Lawrence, chairman; Mrs. Peter Littlehale, Mrs. Annie Andrews, Miss Nellie Perham.

Country produce—Andrew Hadley, Otis Wright, William Blanchard, Daniel Lawrence.

The entertainment was in the hands of Mrs. G. A. Harlow and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kalde. "Old Acre Folks," a two-act drama, was given by the dramatic club of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Eliot church, Lowell. This skit has been seen before by this same company of young people, and it lost none of its good points by repetition.

The cast was as follows:

The Deacon's Wife.....Annie W. Chase
The Deacon's Daughter.....Ruth Eaton
The Squire's Housekeeper.
Marion Faulkner
The Squire.....George P. Longfellow
The Deacon's Son.....Roland W. Black
The Squire's Daughter..Esther M. Greene
The Country Boy.....Albert W. Pease
The Stranger.....Albert A. Ludwig
The Deacon.....Edmond A. Ramsay

The music was furnished by the Littlehale orchestra.

A good dinner was served from 6 until 8 and the tables were well patronized.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting for men will be held in Branch Street Tabernacle. "Sunday at 3.30. Evangelist Maplesden of Hartford, Conn., will give the address and has chosen for his subject, "Young Men of India," a theme which he is qualified to discuss, having spent fifteen years in that country, a greater part of the time among the British soldiers. Miss Ivy F. Pierce, who is possessed of a sweet voice and a pleasing personality, comes from Saratoga Street Methodist church, Boston, but has been engaged in special metings for the past four weeks with Rev. A. C. Dixon at the Central Baptist church in that city. An exceedingly interesting and helpful service is assured.

The fourth in the series of members' popular evenings will be given Tuesday at 8.15, when the attraction consists of an illustrated lecture by Mr. Asa C. Russell, entitled "The Land of the Midnight Sun." Ice cream and cake will be served. A limited number of invitations will be issued to friends of the members, particulars regarding which can be secured at the office.

ONE MORE WORD TO

CAS CONSUMERS

We are being congratulated on every side of the great saving and abundance of light from our "New Air-Lights." One of our local merchants informed us that during the past two months, December and January, the longest months of the year, against the two previous months, he had saved the price of his new lights and had received double the amount of light that he had been getting from his cluster lights. He is only one out of hundreds who are daily and hourly congratulating us for the great benefits they are receiving from our wonderful Air Lights, which are now on exhibition day and evening at 366 Merrimack St. Other cities that were quick to catch on to the cluster lights, or "Hot Air Furnaces," as they are called in other cities, found that their gas bills were much larger than their lights and are now discarding them by the hundreds. Lowell is waking up to the fact that people are not practically giving away lights unless there is something behind it. The largest dealers in our city admit that I have the best light they ever saw. There are men canvassing this city who claim to have the Denaynouze Air Light, which is not true. There is no one who has the genuine Air Light but me. My agents are furnished with cards and pamphlets of our lights. Don't be deceived. Call and see for yourself.

A. E. BARROWS, Agent,
366 MERRIMACK ST., OPP. CITY HALL.

Closing Out Sale

—OF—

Furniture, Carpets, Etc.

For Three Days Commencing This Morning

We shall offer at Private Sale the remainder of the W. T. Bradley stock of

Furniture, Carpets, Matting, Rugs and Bedding

The building has been leased and is to be remodeled and the goods must be gone in three days if we

HAVE TO GIVE THEM AWAY

Sale Commences This Morning and Continues Three Days Only at

47 MARKET ST.

ADAMS

BARGAIN FOR TODAY

Arm Chairs

$2.37

Oak Arm Chairs, wood and cane seat, finished golden and antique oak color. A comfortable chair for the living room or dining room, and also a good office chair. The regular marked prices are $5.50, $4.50, $4.00 and $3.50 each. Your choice of any of the chairs at

$2.37

We give three stamps for one on every chair sold from this lot today.

ADAMS & CO.

Furniture--Rugs--Carpets

174 Central Street

Appleton Bank Block

THOSE LIQUOR ADS

Their Publication Has Never Been Compulsory

Official Decision to That Effect Exposes the Subterfuge of Certain Papers That Work Both Sides

There is a claim falsely made by some newspapers that they are compelled to publish liquor advertisements under the postal regulations which many of them do, at the same time printing temperance editorials side by side with the advertisements setting forth the virtues of some leading brand of whiskey, some special brew of beer.

This delusion imposed upon the public has been recently exposed by "The New Voice," a New York publication, in an article which will make interesting reading and which we reprint here for the information of temperance people and others who may have been imposed upon by the same plea which was falsely made by newspapers in Chicago and elsewhere in order to cover their duplicity.

As The Sun has steadily refused liquor advertisements and is the only Lowell paper which has done so, it takes special interest in the information contained in the subjoined correspondence from The New Voice, and hence submits it to the Lowell public in the following article:

FROM THE NEW VOICE.

For a long time some of the newspapers that have been in the habit of printing strong temperance editorials and flashing whiskey and beer ads. at their readers on other pages of the same issue, have been putting up a most sanctimonious bluff to keep the confidence of their temperance subscribers.

In reply to inquiries as to why they should permit in their columns advertising of liquors which they denounce editorially, they have declared themselves martyrs to arbitrary post office regulations which "require" them to admit liquor ads or "forfeit their second-class mail privileges!"

The New Voice first investigated the matter over a year ago in the case of the Chicago American, and supposed it had proved the utter falseness of any such claim in its issue Nov. 27, 1902, although the American never, to our knowledge, admitted its mistake, if mistake it was. But the same old bluff has been attempted again, this time by the St. Paul Daily News.

The New Voice presents herewith the official opinions of the superintendents of second-class mail matter at the Chicago and St. Paul post offices, respectively, and in addition, a letter in the same regard from Edwin C. Madden, third assistant postmaster general, at Washington, D. C.

THE AMERICAN'S BLUFF.

John C. Eastman, business manager of the Chicago American, Nov. 4, 1902, answering the direct inquiry of Mr. P. Woodring, Oelwein, Iowa, who protested against the apparent inconsistency of temperance editorials and liquor advertising in the same paper, wrote Mr. Woodring as follows:

Mr. P. Woodring, Oelwein, Iowa:

"Dear Sir: I think you will find that a smaller number of whiskey advertisements appear in the American than in any other paper in the United States. You may not be aware of the fact, but a newspaper publisher cannot refuse to print advertisements from whiskey houses, even if he wants to. Under the post office rules a newspaper cannot exclude any advertiser whose business is legitimate. If we undertook to refuse to print any whiskey advertisements, complaint would be made to the post office authorities and we would not be allowed to send papers through the mails. It may interest you to know that none of the solicitors of the American solicit advertisements of whiskey houses. All other newspapers of this city do solicit whiskey advertisements.

JOHN C. EASTMAN,
Business Manager.

Chicago, Nov. 4, 1902.

THE ST. PAUL NEWS BLUFF.

J. Harry Lewis, vice president and manager of the St. Paul Daily News replying, November 30, 1903, to a similar protest from Dr. Ray Humiston, of Worthington, Minn., wrote:

St. Paul, Minn., November 30, 1903.
Dr. Ray Humiston, Worthington, Minn.

Dear Sir: We heartily agree with your position regarding the liquor advertising. For years our institution in Des Moines refused to accept it, and it was only when threatened with prosecution and delarment from the second class privilege by the postal authorities that the bars were thrown down. Of course the layman did not know that the paper who receives the second-class privilege must accept advertising from any recognized legitimate business, and further than that it must accept the advertising at its regular published rate; failure to do this would place the refused person in a position where they could bring suit and compel the paper to pay 2 cents on every copy sent from the post office in place of 1 cent a lb. as at present prevails. This you see will make the publication of a newspaper practically impossible.

Very sincerely yours,
THE ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS.
Per J. Harry Lewis, Mgr.

CHICAGO POST OFFICE REPLY.

In response to an inquiry from The New Voice, Nov. 8, 1902, prompted by the American business manager's declaration that the publication of liquor ads. is compulsory.

This is, of course, supposed to be answered in the affirmative; yet it is manifestly incongruous that a temperance paper should advertise the goods of a liquor house, or that a paper in the interest of one religious denomination should advertise books advocating the creed of another denomination.

Were a paper to admit the advertising of a firm dealing in a certain line of goods it could not exclude the advertising of that firm's competitors. I think I am right in saying that it is only in such a case that the postoffice department would interfere. It is not our understanding that the government would deprive a publisher of certain mailing privileges because he declined to print advertisements that were obnoxious to his principles. Mr. Eastman is not wholly correct in stating that papers refusing advertisements would not be permitted to pass in the mails. I do not think we should have authority to hold papers for that reason. It is only in cases where undue advantage is being accorded to a certain firm or individual by the refusal of advertising space to his competitors that we should be called upon to interfere.

It is possible that Mr. Eastman was misled by a telephone message from me in reply to a question put by him on this subject. I did not understand the full significance of the question, which is somewhat too broad to be decided offhand.

W. B. GETTY.
Supt. 2d Class Matter.

Chicago, Nov. 11.

ST. PAUL POST OFFICE ANSWER.

In reply to Dr. Humiston, who wrote the St. Paul post office authorities Dec. 11, 1903, Postmaster A. R. McGill returned the following terse opinion.

Postoffice, St. Paul, Minn.
Dec. 12, 1903.

Respectfully informing Dr. Ray Humiston, Worthington, Minn., in response to his note of Dec. 11, that this office does not understand the postal regulations to require a publisher to accept advertising for liquors, in order to entitle him to the second-class mail privileges.

The only condition in that regard, apparent to us, is that he may not discriminate against one liquor house in favor of another, but having admitted one such ad. should accept ads. from competing interests at the usual rates.

A. R. McGILL, P. M.
Moroney.

WASHINGTON'S OFFICIAL OPINION.

Knowing that the opinions of the postoffice authorities of even two such important points as Chicago and St. Paul might not be considered conclusive, and of course would not be regarded as necessarily authoritative at other points throughout the country, The New Voice wrote to Washington, D. C., for a definite opinion from the headquarters of the postoffice department. The following letter in reply tells its own story:

Postoffice Department,
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General,
Classification Division,
Washington, D. C.

Edwin C. Madden, Third Asst. P. M. General.

In your reply, refer to C. D. No. 51778.

Mr. F. D. L. Squires, Associate Editor The New Voice, Chicago, Ill.:

Sir:—The department is in receipt of your letter of the 14th ultimo, in relation to your right to refuse advertisements in contravention of the principles advocated by you in your publication.

In reply you are informed that a publisher may refuse advertising on moral grounds, or because his advertising space is filled, or for other reasons which do not touch the question as to whether the publication is of a public character instead of being to further private interests.

The department does not assume to direct how a private business shall be managed; it assumes no prerogative of determining what advertising shall be refused, and is concerned solely with the question whether the publication complies in all respects with the requirements of the law (Act of March 3, 1879) governing the second-class mailing privileges.

Respectfully,
EDWIN C. MADDEN,
Third Asst. Postmaster-General.

The moral of all this therefore is, that no newspaper or other periodical publication in the United States is under any compulsion to admit liquor advertising to its columns.

A newspaper can be absolutely sure of its right to refuse liquor advertising if it wants to, and can rest assured that it will not be deprived of second-class mail privileges for so doing.

If your local paper or your metropolitan daily persists in insulting the best part of its constituency by printing—for a price—the flaring falsehoods and the nauseous details that make up the beer, whiskey and alcoholic "tonic" advertising of the day, it can find excuse no longer in this time-worn bluff that it "has to" put it in.

Push the battle against the liquor advertising newspaper.

SUN SNAP SHOTS OF POPULAR SPINDLE CITY PEOPLE

Our new appropriation boss, a corker seems to be.
He stands for frugal government and straight democracy,
The head of each department is very much impressed
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GUNS DISABLED

Iowa's 8 Inch "Toms" Blew Off Muzzles

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 6.—The battleship Iowa while testing her batteries on her way down the coast February 4, blew off the muzzles of both 8-inch guns in her forward starboard turret. Flying fragments smashed one of the ship's whaleboats. Both guns are fractured between hoops E and F and the barrels are badly swollen. None of the crew was injured and no damage outside that given was sustained by the vessel.

The Iowa is now in Hampton Roads. She came from the Brooklyn navy yard to Norfolk for coal preparatory to joining the Caribbean squadron at Culebra. The accident will prevent following this plan.

CRAZY MAN'S ACT

Dennis O'Connor Shot and Killed Brother

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Laboring under the delusion that he was being persecuted by witches because he would not join a secret society, Dennis O'Connor, 27 years old, shot and killed his brother, Jeremiah, 49 years old, at their lodgings on Utica street, last night. Jeremiah's death was probably instantaneous and the police believe the self-confessed murderer is insane. He is under arrest.

The two brothers had lived together for more than eight years and were known as industrious and inoffensive persons.

BRILLIANT FUNCTION

AT U. S. EMBASSY AT ST. PETERSBURG.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—The handsome Leuchtenburg palace, on the English quay, the home of the American embassy, was the scene last night of the best large reception of the season, given by U. S. Ambassador McCormick. It was a brilliant affair. Several hundred persons were present, including many of the Russian nobility, all the prominent diplomatists, Prince Dolgorouki, Prince and Princess Cantacuzene, Prof. Martens, the ambassadors of Great Britain and Germany, and the ministers of Belgium, Japan and China and their wives.

DOWN IN DEFEAT

Lowell Lost to the Natick Team

HAVERHILL TAKEN INTO CAMP BY LYNN

Military and High School Games

NATICK, Feb. 6.—The home team added another easy victory to its list last evening by defeating the Lowell team, 40 to 14. Lowell has been strengthened by the addition of Matthews of the Springfield team. Martens, Hayes and Healey led in the number of baskets thrown, and the blocking of Sheridan and Falle were features of the game. Allard and Abbott played best for the visitors. At no time after the first period was the home team in danger. The summary:

NATICK	LOWELL
Hayes rf	lb Abbott
Martens lf	rb Holleran
Falle c	c Cairns
	c O'Neil
Sheridan rb	lf Matthews
Healey lb	rf Allard
Punch lb	

Score—Natick 40, Lowell 14. Goals from floor—Martens 5, Hayes 5, Falle 2, Healey 4, Sheridan, Punch, Allard 2, Abbott 2, Holleran, O'Neil. Points on fouls—Natick 4, Lowell 2. Fouls called on—Martens 3, Falle, Sheridan 3, Allard 3, Matthews 2, Cairns 2, Abbott, Holleran 6. Referee—William Marley of Lowell. Timers—Hoey and Gray. Time—3 15m periods. Attendance—800.

LYNN 41, HAVERHILL 19.

LYNN, Feb. 6.—The New England league Lynn basketball team defeated the Haverhill team in this city last night by a score of 41 to 19. Harrington of the Haverhills played an excellent game. Ferat of the Lynns was injured in the second period and Hough was substituted. The summary:

LYNN	HAVERHILL
Ferat rf	lb Kellher
Hough rf	
Fogarty lf	rb Harrington
Mulliner c	c Wachter
Mayham rb	lf Lynch
Kinkaid lb	rf Horan

Score—Lynn 41, Haverhill 19. Goals from floor—Fogarty 6, Mayham 6, Mulliner 2, Hough 3, Ferat, Wachter 3, Horan 2, Lynch, Harrington, Kellher. Points from fouls—Lynn 5, Haverhill 3. Referee—Godley. Scorer—Moore. Timers—Hitchcock, Driscoll. Time—3 15 m periods. Attendance—600.

CO. M 9th, 15; BATTERY C 13.

Battery C of Lawrence was defeated 15 to 13, last night by Co. M, 9th regiment, in the inter-city Military Basketball league. Battery C led, 6 to 3, at the close of the first period. It was a tie, 10 to 10, at the close of the second. Good work by Mitchell won the game for Lowell. The summary:

CO. M.	BATTERY C
Regan rf	lb Honiger
	lb Merrigan
Walters lf	rb Cowperthwaite
Poole c	c Legasse
Mitchell rb	lf Begin
Allen lb	rf Duhamel

Score—Co. M 15, Battery C 13. Goals—Cowperthwaite, Legasse, Duhamel, Merrifrom floor—Mitchell 4, Regan 2, Cowgan. Referee—T. Maguire, Lowell. Timers—Capt. McNulty, W. Shore. Attendance—400.

LAWRENCE GAME POSTPONED.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 6, 1904. The basket ball game scheduled for last night in this city between Lawrence and Hudson was not played as the Knights of Columbus desired to have the use of city hall to repeat their minstrel performance which had a successful presentation Thursday night. The management of both teams agreed to the arrangement and the game was called off.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

STONEHAM, Feb. 6—The local high school basketball team was defeated by the Lowell high school team in the armory yesterday afternoon in a fast game by a score of 28 to 26.

There were a large number of spectators present.

BASKETBALL NOTES

Lawrence and Manchester battle in the Queen city tonight, and Lynn and Hudson have it out in Hudson.

When Mathews came to Lowell, the old Springfield combination was broken. The Lynn players feel the absence of Toby from their team greatly.

Police Commissioner Pearson and John W. McEvoy, Esq., are the latest fans who take in all the hot ones.

The Lowell players sat for pictures a few days ago. With Lowell and Lynn battling for first place you could not get a hall large enough to accommodate the crowds that would want to see the games.

Natick is a hard nut to crack on the Natick grounds. Here in Lowell we have drubbed them but only after the hardest kind of battle.

When they get out their fish horns as they did Thursday night, you can make up your mind that the old enthusiasm is coming back and will be in evidence at all the big games.

Lawrence fans are keeping their eyes on the basket throwing of Hough and Fogarty. They better watch Toby Mathews. He is the man who promises to make Kane of Lawrence do some hustling before the season ends. That boy Allard, too, is getting in his licks.

The best reserved seats for Thursday night's game were sold after the ticket office was opened only one hour. Manager Grey has decided to open the box office at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of all big games during the remainder of the season. This rule will be followed out Monday when Manchester will be here for a battle with the Lowell "champs."

The idea of introducing the players of the opposing teams is a good one and should be followed out on all occasions. It is a great help to those who are not acquainted with the men on the different teams and is appreciated by all. Let the good work be continued Monday and every night when a game is played. Many know the players on the Manchester team, but there are some who do not just as there are persons attending the games who are not yet thoroughly acquainted with the local team. Old Sport is willing, so let the work be continued.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

A grand sacred concert will be given at the Academy of Music tomorrow afternoon and evening. The program has been carefully arranged and is sure to please the theatre going people of this city. Every person on the bill is an artist and the program will prove to be the best ever given in this city.

Miss Mae Nelson, the Canadian songbird, will be heard in several selections, this young lady being especially engaged by the management of the house as her last appearance in this city proved to be a grand success. Provo and Elmo, comedy jugglers, direct from the Alhambra Music Hall, in London, will also be seen, and those who have seen this act know that it is without a peer. Messrs. Provo and Elmo are making a tour of the American continent after having played at all the principal concert halls on the other side of the water.

Another highly pleasing feature of the program will be Prof. Martine and his troupe of educated dogs, these dogs being the best performing dogs on the stage today. Handy's moving pictures, all new subjects, is another number and as Mr. Handy has just received thousands of feet of new films direct from the Edison company, few, if any of them, could have been seen before.

Mae Angell, the charming soprano, will be heard and her songs will be illustrated. The premier musical artists, Dadmun and Johnson, are also on the program. Taken as a whole the program is one which is sure to please the most exacting audience. The afternoon performance will be at 2.30 o'clock and the evening performance at eight o'clock. The box office is now open for the sale of tickets.

NEXT WEEK AT THE CASTO.

For the 20th week of the season Manager Haynes has prepared a strong bill which will undoubtedly draw large crowds to the cosy theatre. Walthour and Kreamer head the program and they present the most exciting act on the vaudeville stage, the race of horse against man. Walthour who is an expert bicyclist races against Kreamer mounted on the thoroughbred, Dolly Varden, and the race is close and exciting. It is the most thrilling act ever presented in a local theatre.

Harper, Desmond and Bailey, the three black diamonds, present their amusing singing and dancing specialty; the twin Nices, the California Rosebud and boy baritone will appear; the Four American trumpeters in their military musical act; Paul Barnes, the man who wrote "Dolly Gray" with songs and stories; Waller and Magill in a comedy sketch, and Alfred Anderson, the male Melba, round out a program which cannot but please all. Green trading stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

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a6.42	7.43	8.25	9.01
a7.01	8.02	e9.00	9.37
ea7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.50	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.35	e11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.00	12.56
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.00	12.08	2.00	3.01
sa11.43	12.25	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.50	4.14	5.30
ea1.56	2.39	e5.00	5.37
a3.03	4.20	5.38	6.25
a 3.47	4.30	a5.47	6.34
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
ea5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.08
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7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
8.46	9.49	5.00	5.59
a9.30	10.16	e7.30	8.08
a4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
a5.58	7.00	9.00	10.02

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6.00	8.04	9.25	10.39
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.35	4.55
2.30	3.35	4.59	5.50
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Fred Colby and his two children have returned from a visit to Mr. Colby's parents at Antrim, N. H.

Thomas G. Robbins presided at the annual dinner of the alumni of Wesleyan Academy of Wilbraham, Thursday night.

Stratton & Handley announce a recital by Samuel Siegel, world's greatest mandolinist; Hyman Meyer, musician, wit and mimic and J. F. Caveny, caricaturist and humorist, at Colonial hall, next Tuesday night.

Miss May Mills celebrated her 18th birthday Thursday evening by entertaining about thirty of her young friends at her home, 23 Methuen street. Refreshments were served and games and music served to make the evening pass off merrily, the party dispersing at midnight with many expressions of good wishes for the young hostess.

The Highland Sixteen Whist club met last evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Spencer, of Westford street, and after some interesting play the prize offered for the highest score made by one of the ladies was secured by Miss Abels, while Mr. Alexander Strauss won the gentleman's prize. At the conclusion of the play the company were hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Spencer who were assisted in attending to the wants of the guests by Mr. Alec Abels. The club will meet next week with Mr. and Mrs. D. Whipple, Westford street.

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GRAND ASSEMBLY

Of Phoenix Club at Associate Hall

The seventh grand assembly of the Phoenix social and athletic club was held last night at Associate hall. This club consists of prominent young men of this city and while all of their parties have been successful last night's party eclipsed its predecessors both socially and financially.

The dance order consisted of 17 numbers and the music for dancing was furnished by the New Cadet orchestra. Contained in each dance order was a comic valentine accompanied by a verse in keeping with the picture.

The affair was under the management of the following corps of efficient officers: General manager, Frank J. Carolin; assistant general manager, Edward McQuade; floor director, John F. Conway; assistant floor directors, Thomas McMahon, Thomas Moyland; chief aid, James Ready; aids, John Ready, Frank T. McQuade, William H. Delehanty, John H. Donohue, Peter J. Rourke, William Alexander, Joseph P. Conway, William Hartley, Patrick J. Donahue, Edward J. Tarant, Hugh Alexander, David Sullivan, William Mahoney, James Grady, Thomas F. Sheehan, William F. Regan, John P. Ward, Charles Donahue, John Guthrie, Michael F. Murphy, John Heenan, David Pyne, Joseph Higgins; treasurer, Frank Fay.

The Phoenix Club is an organization of young men in ward four, which has, since its inception five years ago become a factor in the social and athletic life of our city. Its well appointed club rooms in Congress street, besides having all the comforts of an ideal club house, boasts of a first class gymnasium where the members indulge in healthful exercise. The Gardner boys are among these who occasionally visit the "gym." The president of the club is Frank J. Carolin, well known as a member of Industry Council, R. A. Among the members of the club are School Committeeman William F. Regan of ward four, Ex-Overseer of the Poor Thomas F. Sheehan and many others.

TOOK LAUDANUM

LEWISTON MAN FOUND DEAD IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, Feb. 6—Patrick M. Boyle, 40 years old, and a former merchant at Lewiston, Me., was found dead yesterday afternoon in a sleeping room at the Quincy house, a partially emptied laudanum bottle by his side. Dr. Harold V. Andrews of Cambridge street was called by the hotel people and when he arrived he said Mr. Doyle had been dead for several hours. The police of the Court square station reported to headquarters that it was a case of probable suicide.

At the hotel a clerk told a reporter that Mr. Doyle had been a guest at the house since Feb. 1 and that he had come there from Lewiston, and that nothing out of the way with him had been noticed. He seemed prosperous, and when he went to his room at midnight Thursday he seemed to be in good health. The hotel folks thought it likely he had been unable to sleep well for some reason or other and that he had taken laudanum to induce sleep, and probably had taken an overdose by mistake.

Two agents for crockery houses, who were at the Quincy after the death of Mr. Doyle became known, said they had sold him bills of goods in the past few days, and that he had appeared to them to be cheerful and in good health. What he was ordering goods for is uncertain, as he had retired from business at Lewiston.

VALENTINE PARTY.

A valentine party, whist and dancing under the auspices of the Ladies of Charity of St. Patrick's church will be held in Prescott hall Monday evening, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the building fund of St. Patrick's church.

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CITY AUDITOR

Has Been Suspended by the Mayor

CHARGES MADE AGAINST CITY HALL OFFICIAL

Sensation In City Hall Circles

HAVERHILL, Feb. 6.—Mayor Wood sprung a sensation in city hall circles yesterday afternoon when he temporarily suspended City Auditor Fred L. Rowe from office. This is the outcome of the hearing held at the joint convention of the city government Thursday evening, when City Auditor Rowe, through his counsel, Representative Pingree, refused to answer questions asked by the mayor.

"The city council first voted to give the city auditor a hearing and then voted not to give him a hearing," said the mayor yesterday relative to the developments Thursday evening at the joint convention of the city government. He claims City Auditor Rowe acted in a manner unbecoming a city official, and the remarks of Lawyer Pingree was unnecessarily abusive during the hearing.

"My duty was plain," said the mayor "and I did everything in my power to try to prevail upon the city auditor to state what facts he might have in his possession in answer to my specific claim that he did not make a full examination of the bonds and cash of the city of Haverhill in the year 1901; also to tell why he reported that there was $13,000 worth of bonds on hand, when, as a matter of fact, they were missing from the city treasurer's office for nearly two months, and many of them for nearly three years.

"Lawyer Pingree might have talked all night about 'poor grammar' and 'worse law' but I do not think he could in any way make a proper denial that the situation was just as I represented it to be. In acting as I did I feel that I was only voicing the sentiments of the great majority of the taxpayers of Haverhill.

"When I framed that communication of inquiry which suggested a hearing to the city auditor I asked for and received the advice of the city solicitor, whose opinion expressly says that the city auditor has the custody of the fire insurance bonds. Then what else was there for me to do? Beyond any doubt some one was responsible, and I decided that it was the city auditor."

City Auditor Rowe views the situation in a self-satisfied manner. He declines to discuss the developments other than to remark that he noted that the sinking fund commissioners were conspicuous by their absence at the hearing Thursday evening, despite the statement that they "would not only be willing, but be glad to be there."

Y. M. C. I. ball, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening.

BIG WHIST PARTY

HELD AT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE HALL.

A highly successful whist party was held last evening at St. Joseph's college hall for the benefit of the refreshment table at the Valentine festival which will be conducted in the near future. The party was under the auspices of Mrs. Charles H. Boisvert and her daughters, Misses Georgianna and Azilda. The party was well attended and forty tables were required to seat the players.

Whist was enjoyed until ten o'clock, when a pleasing entertainment was given. Among those who assisted in the entertainment were the following: Remarks by Rev. L. V. Lewis, O. M. I.; song by Rev. Fr. Audibert, O. M. I.; reading by Rev. Fr. Viaud, O. M. I.; and a reading by Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I. The latter is the director of L'Association de Notre Dame de Bonsecours, the organization which will conduct the Valentine festival.

The following interesting musical program was also given:

Overture, piano, Miss Georgianna Boisvert, Mr. Alderic Duscharme; trio, Miss Marie Anne Desmarais, Mr. Ernest Vallerand, Mr. Richard Fournier, accompanied by Miss Julia Michaud; song, Miss Desmarais; comical song, Mrs. Maurice Lambert; piano, Miss Lillian Brautigan; comical song, Miss Nelida Cote.

The whist prizes were won as follows:

First, portrait of Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., gift of Mrs. J. T. Fontaine, Miss Jennie Gauthier; second prize, portrait of Fr. Lewis, gift of L'Institute Canadian de Centralville, Miss Emma Chaloux; third plate, gift of Grant Jewelry Co., Miss Marie d'Amours; fourth, ice cream set, gift of Mrs. Alphonse Vallerand, Miss Emma Chaloux; fifth, tobacco jar, gift of Fr. Audibert, Alfred Lefebvre; sixth, cheese dish, gift of Miss Andrea Bertrand, Mrs. Albert Guimond; seventh, stone ring, gift of Mrs. Frank Brogan, Victor Provencher; eighth, cup and saucer, gift of Mrs. Hormisdas Vallerand, Miss Andrea Bertrand; ninth, Japanese vase, gift of Miss Laura Daignan, Miss Amanda Albert; tenth, toilet set, gift of Eli Delisle, Joseph St. Amand; eleventh, two glass vases, gift of Mrs. Anna de Lamothe, Louis Landry; twelfth, toilet soap, gift of Mrs. Chaloux, Miss Eugenie Ouelette; thirteenth, wax figures, gift of Miss Rose Anna Bonin, Mrs. Joseph Rivard; fourteenth, silver mug, gift of Mrs. William Brautigan, Miss Augustine Lavallee; fifteenth, perfumery, gift of a friend, Miss Josephine Aubut; sixteenth, vase, gift of Ernest Vallerand, George Carpentier; seventeenth, tobacco jar, gift of Mrs. F. N. Legare, Joseph Laferriere; eighteenth, blouse pin set, gift of Frank Brogan, Arthur Beaudry; nineteenth, collar and cuffs, gift of a friend, Miss Regina Cognac; twentieth, collar and cuffs, gift of a friend, Miss Fabiola Simard; twenty-first, mustard holder; gift of Miss Regina Gagnon, Arthur Roberge; booby, Misses Eleonore and Delia Barry.

Mrs. Ursis Larne, Mrs. Auguste Grondin, Mrs. Joseph Ducharme, Miss Georgianna Boisvert, Miss Azilda Boisvert, Miss Adelaide Fournier, Miss Marie Louise Lecours were the scorers.

The judges who awarded the whist prizes were Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., and Messrs. Chas. H. Boisvert, Zoel St. Hilaire, Geo. D. Jacques, J. A. Maillie.

Ma ome Lepine of L'Etoile was master of ceremonies.

Grand electrical display at the Y. M. C. I. ball Tuesday evening.

RIGHT TO WORK

Passed on by a Salem Judge

SALEM, Feb. 6.—In the district court yesterday Justice Holden, in disposing of the assault and battery case against Joseph E. Sirois, also known as Joseph E. King, defined the rights of a man to work if he so desired, without fear or opposition from strikers, organized or unorganized. King was charged with assault and battery on Louis Lachance and Joseph E. Gagnon. He pleaded guilty and was fined $25 on each of two complaints.

The trouble occurred in connection with the strike of the workmen at the Chadwick lead mills in South Salem. Wednesday morning 21 employes of the mill left the shop without any notice or making demands. Six men refused to go out with them and continued work. The strikers' places were filled with new men.

The evidence showed that yesterday morning 12 of the strikers assembled at the railroad crossing and as the men who had refused to quit and some of the new ones came along to work they were stopped by the crowd and ordered to go back.

Among those who were trying to get work were Louis Lachance and Joseph E. Gagnon. Both men tried to get by the crowd when King emphasized his demand that they return home by striking Lachance in the jaw. Gagnon also was injured.

King in court said the occasion of the strike lay in the fact that heretofore the men have been allowed 20 minutes at night in which to wash up before leaving the shop. This privilege was taken from them and they struck to get it restored. They object to washing up in their own time.

Judge Holden in passing judgment said that so far as the merits of the strike were concerned he had nothing to say, but a principle was involved in the assault which was for the laws of this country to protect.

"A man can do as he pleases about working," he said, "but this assault was committed while attempting to prevent a man who wanted to work from so working. By this assault two men who wanted to work were prevented from working, thus interfering with their rights as American citizens, who have a right to work without fear of being molested."

FINGER CAUGHT

IN A CIRCULAR SAW BUT NOT CUT OFF.

Richard Rydle, residing at 30 North street, while working at Spencer's wood yard this morning got his left middle finger caught in a circular saw. He was taken to the Emergency hospital, where it was found that the nail had been torn off the finger and that the bone had been badly bruised. His hand was dressed by the doctors in attendance.

STILL ALARM

FOR A BRISK FIRE ON MERRIMACK STREET.

The firemen of Hose 8 were summoned to a brisk blaze at 615 Merrimack street by a still alarm at 12.55 o'clock this morning. When the firemen arrived they found that a portion of the partition in the hallway was burned away and a lively blaze was in progress.

The fire started in a bale of cotton batting, which was on a trunk in the hallway and it is thought that some person while entering the house lighted a match and intending to throw the match on the floor threw it on the cotton.

After a spirited fight the flames were extinguished. The building is owned by the Lowell Institution for Savings.

FELL ASLEEP

WHEN HE AWOKE KELLY WAS ON WAY TO AMERICA.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—The Cestrian, from Liverpool, Jan. 23, and which arrived here yesterday, brought in five stowaways, A. Derasser, Jacob Diamond, J. Murphy and F. Miller, all Americans, who were permitted to land, and Lewis Kelly, a native of England, who was debarred and will be deported when the steamer sails on her return trip.

Kelly was an involuntary passenger. He went on board the steamer at Liverpool to visit a nephew and fell asleep. When he awoke the steamer was on her way down the Mersey.

THE APPROPRIATIONS

COMMITTEE MET AGAIN AT CITY HALL LAST NIGHT.

The committee on appropriations finished its tour of inspection at 5.15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and the members were well tired after their long riding in cramped quarters. In the evening the committee met at city hall again and devoted two hours to cutting down estimates. No heads of departments were heard. None of the work yet done is final and hence the amounts are not given.

A public hearing on the matter of appropriations will be held next Wednesday.

Y. M. C. A.

MEETING FOR MEN

Sunday, 3.30

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"YOUNG MEN OF INDIA"

Solos by

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of Boston

All Men Invited

IN TEWKSBURY

ALASKA, THE ESKIMOUX AND THE INDIANS WERE DISCUSSED.

The Ladies' Missionary society held its first meeting in the vestry of the Congregational church yesterday afternoon. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. Benjamin Spaulding, her subject being "Alaska." Miss Theresa Small talked about the Eskimoux; Mrs. H. M. Billings spoke of the work of Mr. Duncan among the Indians of Alaska and Mrs. H. Dinsmore gave an interesting account of the work of missionaries in the far north. The committee in charge of the meeting consisted of Mrs. W. J. Minchen, president; Mrs. Enoch Foster vice president; Mrs. H. M. Billings, secretary; Miss Theresa Small, treasurer, and Mrs. H. Dinsmore.

CIPHER MESSAGES

FORBIDDEN TO ANY POINT IN JAPAN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The central office of the Western Union cable service announced today that private messages in secret language cannot be accepted for any place in Japan.

The Commercial Cable Co. is advised by the Japanese administration that secret language is prohibited in private messages to Japan.

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TEA AND COFFEE—For 60c—1 pound each of Coffee and Tea and 1-2 pound can of Baking Powder, for

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MERRIMACK STREET—BASEMENT.

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WAR EXPECTED IN THE FAR EAST

The Nations Anxiously Await the Opening of Hostilities

Rumor in London of a Naval Engagement in Which Three Russian and Two Japanese Vessels are Reported Sunk--Russia's Reply Does Not Meet the Wishes of Japan—The Japanese Minister Ready to Leave St. Petersburg—Families Flee From Russian Territory in the East Leaving Property Behind

WASHINGTON, FEBRUARY 6, 1904.—AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT TODAY, MR. TAKAHIRA HAD A CONFERENCE LASTING ABOUT AN HOUR, WITH ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE LOOMIS. HE LEFT THE DEPARTMENT GREATLY DEPRESSED OVER THE SITUATION AND WILL NOT BE SURPRISED TO HEAR OF A SEVERANCE OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN RUSSIA AND JAPAN AT ANY MOMENT.

JAPAN RECEIVES RUSSIA'S REPLY

ST. PETERSBURG, FEB. 6.—THE RUSSIAN REPLY HAS BEEN HANDED TO THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT BY BARON DE ROSEN, THE RUSSIAN MINISTERS AT TOKIO.

SENSATIONAL REPORT IN LONDON

LONDON, FEB. 6—2.51 P. M.—THE SCARE IN CITY CIRCLES HERE WAS EXEMPLIFIED TODAY BY A WILD REPORT CURRENT ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE THAT A SEVERE NAVAL ENGAGEMENT HAS TAKEN PLACE IN WHICH THREE RUSSIAN AND TWO JAPANESE SHIPS WERE SUNK.

RUSSIAN SOLDIERS

ATTACKED BY BODY OF KOREAN GENDARMES.

SEOUL, Feb. 6.—Russian soldiers have been the cause of a disorderly incident in Seoul. One of the Russians seized a woman and an angry crowd gathered. A body of Korean gendarmes soon arrived at the scene of the trouble and an encounter with the Russians followed. The gendarmes fought well, overpowering the Russians, one of whom was wounded. The Koreans declare that the Russians will destroy the country.

An insurrection has broken out 60 miles north of Seoul and the prefect's house has been destroyed by the people.

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LIFE SENTENCE

FOR CHINAMEN CONVICTED OF MURDER.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Wong Chung and Charlie Chin, who were convicted of murdering Wong Yak Chang, were sentenced to imprisonment for life by Judge White in the Suffolk county superior court this afternoon. An appeal for a stay of execution was denied. Recently the court overruled the motion for a new trial, which was based upon the alleged unfitness of one of the jurors who sat on the case. Chang was shot in Chinatown about two months ago.

GUESTS OF HONOR.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Sir Frederic Borden, minister of militia for Canada, and James McIntosh Bell, of the Queens University at Toronto, were the guests of honor this afternoon at a luncheon given by the Canadian club of Boston. A previous appointment prevented the Earl of Dundonald, the British officer who led the relief forces into Ladysmith, from attending the function.

COMMISSIONED A COLONEL.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Lieutenant Colonel Allan C. Kelton, who commands the marine barracks at the Charlestown navy yard, has been commissioned a colonel under orders received from Washington. Previous to his arrival at the navy yard Col. Kelton was in command of the marine at Newport where he was stationed for two years.

The gunboat Marietta which has been ordered into commission here will proceed to the Carribbean sea to relieve the gunboat Nashville.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

A sleighride party was given last night by Miss Mabel Holmes to a few of her friends at the home of Mrs. Willis Jeffry at Chelmsford Centre, where an excellent supper was served after which songs were sung by Miss Mabel Holmes, Miss Ida Gordon, Miss Mary Gallagher, Miss Louise Shaughnessy and Miss Florence Wells. The party left at an early hour for their homes after a pleasant evening.

MEAT INSPECTOR

Health Dept. Ready for the Butchers

John M. Farrell, formerly a well-known butcher and provision dealer, has been appointed inspector of provisions by the health department and will make periodical trips to the different provision stores of the city in search of violations of the law in regard to "bob" veal and undressed turkeys. Frequent violations of the law have been complained of from time to time and the health department is determined to put an end to the violations of the law.

In the appointment of Mr. Farrell the health department has secured the services of a man who knows the business thoroughly and cannot be fooled on meat. Mr. Farrell will not give his entire time to the duties of the position, but will make periodical visits, even as Officer Lane used to do for the department.

POSTAL FRAUDS TRIAL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Just before the postal trial was resumed today, Justice Pritchard held another conference with counsel on both sides. Mr. Kumler, representing the Lorenzs, complained that he had received a letter intimating that improper proposals had been made to certain members of the jury injurious to the defendants. What conclusion was reached at the conference was not disclosed.

When the trial proceeded Mrs. Lorenz was briefly examined, her testimony relating solely to the identification of her signature on the back of four checks issued to her husband by D. B. Groff. She was not cross-examined by the government.

D. B. Groff was recalled and produce a number of checks which had been asked for by the government which he had drawn in payment for fasteners since any money was received by him from the government.

John Taylor Armor, a real estate broker, testified to having had financial dealings exceeding $1,000,000 with D. B. Groff extending over a period of 30 years. The witness was put on the stand to corroborate D. B. Groff's testimony that he kept no regular accounts.

TANGLED UP

WORST TROUBLE IS ON THE NASHUA LINE.

At the time of going to press the local street car service was pretty well tangled up owing to the morning's storm, but it was expected that inside of an hour things would be straightened out. The majority of the local cars were running on fairly good time, though away off the schedule time.

The Medford cars were coming in between five and ten minutes late, while the cars to Lawrence and Haverhill were almost on time. The Billerica cars found it rather tough going and it was hard to tell what time they would arrive in the square and no one seemed to know whether the service was going beyond Billerica or not.

The worst trouble was being experienced on the Nashua line, no car having arrived in the square between 12 o'clock and 3.30 in the afternoon. The worst trouble on this line was owing to the fact that the snow was blown onto the rails and even the cars going to Collinsville were running on a ragtime schedule.

A gang of men was sent out on the Nashua line and it is expected that the line would be going before night. All the ploughs are still in use and the number of men at work clearing the rails was increased during the day.

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In Aid of the
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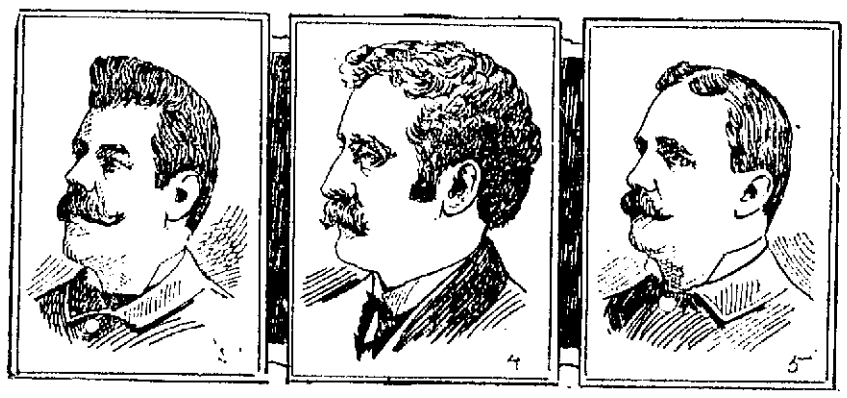

DEPUTY SUPT. REDMOND WELCH. LIEUT. DAVID J. DONALDSON. SERGT. JOHN B. CROWLEY.

THREE OFFICERS

Celebrate Anniversary of Their Appointment

HAVE BEEN ON FORCE SEVENTEEN YEARS

All Three Have Been Promoted

On Monday next Deputy Superintendent Welch, Lieut. David J. Donaldson and Sergt. John B. Crowley will have rounded out seventeen years in the service of the police department of this city, having been appointed supernumeraries Feb. 8, 1887. James C. Abbott was mayor of Lowell at that time and besides the three herein mentioned there were appointed on the same date, four others, namely, Charles Plunkett, who has since joined the great army of the dead, John Dempsey, John O'Hara and Edward Burke. The last three are still living and laboring in other walks of life. The committee on police in the year that the appointments referred to were made consisted of Nathan D. Pratt, Dr. Plunkett and Marcellus Fletcher. The two last have since passed away.

Deputy Welch is as hale and hearty as the day of his appointment and his work has been such as to entitle him to a very high position in the estimation of his chief, the police commissioners and the public in general.

During the time of service he has proven himself one of the most faithful men in the department. He has patrolled some of the most difficult routes in the city, when they were worse than even now, and his success in his work led to his promotion.

After serving five or six years as a patrolman he was given a place on the liquor squad and performed his duties faithfully and well. He knew no favorites and was always ready to obey orders to the letter. Sent out to raid a place he generally bagged his game. Later he was transferred to patrol duty and remained a private in the ranks until the election of Superintendent Moffatt, when he was chosen deputy. When the police board took this action Mr. Welch was out on a beat and was called from duty to receive the good news. His record in the department today is excellent. He has many good captures to his credit and not once did superior officers find anything in his work or conduct to criticize.

He is a High school graduate and has one of the best ranks ever secured by an officer in this state, who applied for promotion.

With the officers he is extremely popular and when it became known that the police board had selected him for his present position, there was general rejoicing among the men who felt that good service had been recognized.

In speaking today, Deputy Welch said: "If I have secured any success it is due to hard work. I have always tried, no matter what the nature of my duty, to give them my best attention, for I believe that in the end it pays to be faithful in all things. I also feel that the exercise of common sense will aid everyone. If a man is engaged to perform work and renders his best service to his employer, his efforts will be recognized in the end. I like police work and I am interested in everything that pertains to it."

Deputy Welch makes a splendid prosecuting officer and has several times been congratulated by Judge Hadley for his aptness in conducting cases and his knowledge of court usages.

LIEUT. DAVID J. DONALDSON.

One room and a hallway is all that divides Lieut. David J. Donaldson and Deputy Welch and years but serve to strengthen their friendship. Mr. Donaldson has charge of the detective bureau and the Bertillon measurement department. He served six months as a supernumerary and was then assigned to the Market street beat. He was transferred from there to Lakeview avenue, looking out for everything below Bridge street.

From Lakeview avenue he was returned to Market street. That was in 1889 and he remained there until May of the following year. On May 17, 1890, he was called from the street to the office and his desire to do his best and his ability to grasp things quickly soon made him a power in the department. He was detailed to the liquor squad and served on the squad until April, 1892, at which time he was made inspector. Few men are better acquainted with police work than is Lieut. Donaldson. Not only has he familiarized himself with the workings of the departments, but he has also acquired a good knowledge of the law. In May, 1902, the Bertillion measurement system was inaugurated and Lieut. Donaldson was placed in charge. He visited various cities, at his own expense, for the purpose of acquainting himself thoroughly with the system, with the result that his measurements today are correct as the system will allow, and that means that they are absolutely correct.

SERGT. JOHN B. CROWLEY.

It would be hard to say too much in favor of Sergeant John B. Crowley, whose pleasant smile is extended even to the prisoner in his charge. He patrolled Merrimack square for years and men doing business along his beat have always felt that everything is secure as long as the sergeant is on deck. Mr. Crowley has figured in some risky and sensational arrests and has always come out of the fray with flying colors. He has had bullets shot through his coat but he doesn't mind a little thing like that. He was made a sergeant about six years ago and he has the respect and confidence of his superior officers and those of lower rank.

LETTER CARRIERS

AT PRESENT ARE ON THE ANXIOUS SEAT.

The carriers at the local post office, as well as the officials, are on the anxious seat waiting for some reply from Washington after the visit of the postal inspectors to this city. The inspectors spent several days in this city looking into the matter of putting on additional carriers, and undoubtedly by this time they have reported the condition of affairs in this city to Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, who has charge of the free delivery department.

The fact that the city of Hoboken asked for extra carriers and after an investigation, instead of granting an increase of carriers, six men were laken off, is worrying the local carriers. In many of the residential sections of this city there are three deliveries a day and it is understood that the inspectors said that the residential parts of the city were entitled to but two deliveries.

Owing to the recent postal scandals the post office department is trying to curtail expenses and the local authorities have some doubts about getting carriers and feel confident that if they get an increase it will not be over three or four.

FIREMAN DEAD

ENGINEER INSANE AS RESULT OF COLLISION.

LONDON, Ont., Feb. 6. As a result of a rear-end collision in the Canadian Pacific railroad yards George Hunter, fireman, is dead, and John Abernithi, engineer, is insane. The Canadian Pacific flyer crashed into a freight standing on the main line. Hunter jumped, was thrown under the wheels and literally ground to pieces. Abernithi stuck to his post, escaping injury, but the shock unbalanced his mind. The passengers were badly shaken up.

THE WEATHER

Local forecast: Cloudy with rain or snow tonight and Sunday, warmer tonight. Fresh to brisk, east to south winds.

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Smoked Finnan Haddie ..... 3 lbs. for 25c
Fancy Red Salmon Steak ..... 1 lb. can 13c, 2 for 25c
Iceland Smoked Halibut Chunks ..... 20c per lb.
Fancy English Boneless Cod ..... 15c a lb.
And everything else in the sea food line on the same scale of prices.
J. C. McGRAY, Manager.

TOOK SOME BEER

OFFICERS VISITED FORMER SALOON IN WORTHEN STREET.

The Crystal in Worthen street was visited by the liquor officers about five o'clock last evening and when they went away they took with them several bottles of beer that they believe to contain more alcohol than the law allows. The man from whom the beer was taken says that the beer is only one per cent. and the beer will be analyzed before the police takes action.

MISS KEARNEY'S INJURIES.

Miss Mary Kearney, teacher in the Green school, who was injured by a snowslide on Central street, is still confined to her house but is somewhat better. The injury to her head has affected her sight and for some time she must remain in a dark room.

HELD IN $5000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—James N. Abeel, the young man who it is alleged courted Miss Eleanor Anderson under the name of J. Ogden Goelet and who was brought here from Canada to stand trial on a charge of forgery, was released in $5000 bail today.

THIS IS QUARTER DAY AT THE CENTRAL SAVINGS BANK

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THE SUN LATEST

5 O'CLOCK

PRIZE FIGHTING

Will be Taken up Again in Boston

Choynski and Kid Carter Not Indicted—Mannix Held on Charge of Forgery

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—"Joe" Choynski and "Kid" Carter of New York and Chicago respectively, who were arrested by order of the Boston police board charged with having engaged in a prize fight, were discharged today in the Suffolk county superior criminal court, the grand jury having failed to find an indictment against them. The arrest of Choynski and Carter was made during a raid at the Criterion Athletic club which was carried out by order of Judge Emmons, chairman of the police board in fulfillment of his announced policy to stop all illegal boxing and prize fighting in the city. Eight other men who were held for the action of the grand jury on the charge of aiding and abetting the fight also were discharged, a "no bill" having been found in each instance. It is understood that the managers of the various athletic clubs where the sparring contests have been held will interpret the report of the grand jury as a ruling that boxing legally may be resumed in Boston.

An indictment charging murder was found against Ray C. Johnson of Burlington, Vt., who is alleged to have shot and killed Mrs. Sadie Peters at a lodging house at the South End.

William F. Mannix was indicted on the charge of forgery. He was arrested on suspicion of having used the name of George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor and also on suspicion of trying to use the name of Gov. Bates.

JURY DISAGREED

In Manslaughter Case Against Rev. Frank W. Sandford

AUBURN, Me., Feb. 6.—The jury, who were out all night on the trial of Rev. Frank W. Sandford for alleged manslaughter, did not return a verdict at the opening of court today as instructed, but remained in their room. Reports were heard that the jury stood 10 to 2 for conviction.

Justice A. R. Savage called in the jury shortly after 10 o'clock and read to them a section of the Massachusetts statutes touching upon the duty of juries to agree. Then he requested them to retire and agree upon a verdict.

County Attorney Skelton stated today that he will not try the remaining four counts charging cruelty this term on account of the fact that so many jurors and people have heard the testimony in this case that their testimony might be affected again, saying he would recall them in a short time. The jury thereupon retired again and when the members again appeared the verdict of "not guilty" was announced.

The jury after an all-night session reported a disagreement this morning on the manslaughter case.

CHASE MISSING

Alleged That Accounts Are Short

LEADING CHURCH MAN AND OFFICIAL

Church Funds Believed to be Safe

LYNN, Feb. 6.—Harry E. Chase, cashier for E. V. Hyde, treasurer and former Sunday school superintendent of the East Baptist church, is missing, and it is alleged his accounts have been found short several hundred dollars.

Having borne an excellent reputation and been honored and trusted by friends and acquaintances his disappearance has caused a sensation.

Before departing it is stated he made a complete confession to Mr. Hyde, admitting taking money from the cash sales in the grocery store and stating that he did not know how much his peculations would amount to except that they might be several hundred dollars.

Last night the trustees and deacons of the church carefully examined the books and found them correct up to Jan. 16. The investigation will be carried further, but the deacons state that in their opinion the accounts of the church had been faithfully and honestly kept and there was no defalcation.

Mr. Chase is married and left a wife and two children at 69 Allen avenue, where he has made his home for several years. Mrs. Chase is prostrated with the disappearance of her husband and stories of wrong-doing. She has not heard from him, and fears he has become despondent.

Knowlton & Allen's orchestra of Natick, considered the best in the state, will furnish music at the Y. M. C. I. ball next Tuesday evening at Huntington hall.

WOMAN ARRESTED

Charged With Causing Man's Death

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Bessie Healey, 21 years old, is in the hands of the Paterson, N. J., police by whom she is charged with causing the death of James Kohn, 23 years old, son of a wealthy saloonkeeper. The young woman separated from her husband sometime ago on account of Kohn. The husband had called on her just before Kohn was killed. All three spent some time drinking together. Soon after Healey left the woman rushed out of the flat and told the neighbors she had stabbed Kohn with a bread knife because he had threatened to kill her. She went out unconcernedly and a few minutes later was arrested by the police who found Kohn bleeding to death.

GERMAN ARMY

WILL BE MAINTAINED AT PRESENT PEACE STRENGTH.

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—The Reichstag today passed the bill prolonging for one year the maintenance of the army at its present peace strength. It was generally predicted before the last election that the government would attempt to carry a bill this winter increasing the number of troops under arms; but, the unsatisfactory financial status of the empire prevented it. It is now believed the government merely postponed the execution of the plan until the next session of the Reichstag.

PANIC STRICKEN

THREE VIOLENT EARTH SHOCKS FOLLOWED BY SLIGHTER ONES.

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 6.—The populations of Barasso and Kesdi Vasserhely were panic stricken by earth shocks at 3.52 this morning. Three violent shocks were followed by four slighter shocks, causing the people to spring from their beds and rush into the streets. No serious damage was done.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY

FROM THE BIGELOW CARPET COMPANY TO TYNGSBORO.

The employes of the Axminster department of the Bigelow Manufacturing company took their annual sleigh ride to Bertrand's farm at Tyngsboro last night. They left the post office at 8 o'clock and made the welkin ring with songs and tish horns. Arriving at the farm the party to the number of 75 sat down to an enjoyable supper served by Mr. Butterfield in his usual good style. The supper was enjoyed by all, and afterward games and dancing to the music of Grosso's hurdy gurdy. The party returned home in the early hours of the morning, a happy crowd. The general manager was Miss N. Shedy, assisted by the Misses E. Tully, Kattie Reidy, and backer Mr. J. Lyons.

IS CRITICALLY ILL.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 6.—Henry W. Oliver, the well known iron and steel master is lying critically ill at his home in Allegheny. Mr. Oliver has not been in good health for sometime past, but last night there was a change for the worse and it was feared he could not survive. This morning, however, he was resting comfortably.

THE LUCKY ONES

AT WOOD'S BIG BUNDLE SALE YESTERDAY.

Below is a list of the lucky ones and the prizes they were awarded at Wood's mammoth bundle sale yesterday. The sale will be continued until further notice. The list follows:

Miss Clara Gagnon, Chelmsford Centre, Alpine diamond cluster, value $3.50.

Mrs. Annie O'Hare, 53 Cedar street, 8-day kitchen clock, cathedral gong, ½ hour strike, value $4.00.

Mrs. William Kittredge, 14 Ralph street, Alpine diamond pin, value $3.50.

Frank Clark, 40 East Pine street, silver fruit dish, value $5.00.

Edward Seymore, North Chelmsford, gent's watch chain, gold filled, value $5.00.

Mrs. Frances Regan, 93 Union street, onyx and gold table, value $20.

George H. Russell, 75 Powell street, Middlesex Steam Laundry, fancy tray, value $2.00.

Mrs. Francis Regan, 93 Union street, gold filled watch, value $10.

Mrs. Leda Lemay, 469 Merrimack street.

M. H. McCue, 781 Broadway street, walnut office clock, value $5.00.

Maria Walsh, 5 Watson street, gold finish clock, value $1.50.

W. Drake, 160 Appleton street, silver fern dish, value $5.

P. F. Mahoney, 162 Crosby street, gold filled gents' chain.

William Callahan, 75 Bartlett street, clock, value $1.

J. Daley, 118 Appleton street, tray, value $2.

Mary Hill, 308 High street, clock, value $2.25.

Mary McDonald, 308 High street, silver ladle, value $3.

M. S. Talsey, 108 Central street, gold opal ring, value $3.50.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, clock, value $1.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, locket, value $1.50.

R. Denault, 41 Jewett street, hat brush, value $1.50.

W. Vigeant, 102 Ford street, charm, value $1.50.

Marraret Murphy, 53 Cedar street, walnut case clock, 8-day strike.

John McElroy, 305 Fairmount street, combination set, cream ladle, sugar spoon and butter knife.

Mrs. Arthur Locke, 3 Coral street, hat brush, value $2.

Norman Bell, 23 Second street, watch for boy.

STOCK WATERED

CHARGE MADE AGAINST A PLANTATION COMPANY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Two suits of stockholders' liabilities filed today by the Hana plantation company allege that the stock of that corporation, which owns one of the oldest sugar plantations in the Hawaiian islands, was watered from $300,000 to the extent of $5,000,000. The suits are filed by the present board of directors in the name of the company against directors who had charge of the company's affairs in the past. The former directors are charged with having given away and distributed among themselves 5,000 shares of capital stock and of having incurred debts of $225,581 in excess of the amount permitted by the state laws. The giving away of the shares of stock is alleged to be a violation of the state constitution.

MUNITIONS OF WAR

INTENDED FOR GENERAL JIMINEZ WERE SEIZED.

CAPE HAYTIEN, Haiti, Feb. 6.—Quantities of munitions of war intended for Gen. Jimenez, the Dominican revolutionary leader, were seized at Puerta Plata on the northern coast of the republic of Santo Domingo yesterday after having been landed there from the Clyde line steamer New York from New York Jan. 30.

RADIUM EXHIBIT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Dr. George F. Kunzig, of this city, special agent of the United States geological survey, has been appointed commissioner of the radium exhibit at the St. Louis exposition and has been authorized to prepare and procure material therefor, comprising radio-active substances of all kinds and also exhibits to illustrate the action of radium compounds, ultra violet light and Roentgen rays upon mineral and chemical substances. This exhibit is to be made by the United States geological survey in the United States government building at St. Louis. There will be a second exhibit of radium and radio-active substances in the mines building.

COLONEL JOHNSON DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Colonel Geo. W. Johnson, chaplain of Clarence MacKenzie post, G. A. R., in Brooklyn and who served in the Civil war with the Fifth Minnesota volunteers, is dead. He was atacked while reading the burial service over another member of the post, and died within a few minutes, surrounded by his comrades.

BRITISH SHIP ASHORE.

RANGOON, India, Feb. 6.—The British ship Laomene (Capt. Hughes from Philadelphia, Oct. 12, for Rangoon) is ashore on the Alguada reef and will probably become a wreck. There has been no loss of life.

Gen. Adelbert Ames Command

There will be a meeting next Monday at 7.30 p.m. of the Ladies' auxiliary which was formed last Wednesday in Memorial hall. There was a large assembly last Wednesday and there promises to be an exceptionally large gathering of the wives, sisters and mothers next Monday. Signed,

M. H. HARRINGTON, Capt.
WM. J. GOODWIN, Adj.

A GREEK WOMAN

Asked in Court if She Killed a Man

SHE WAS NOT OBLIGED TO ANSWER

Joseph Coyle Sent to the State Farm

"Did you kill a man in Greece?" This rather startling question was asked by Deputy Welch in police court today.

The question was put to Stavrula Koueonlomatis, a Greek woman, witness in the case of James Derdeloco and Chrysaldo Koueonlomatis, who were charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation. The woman to whom the question was submitted was a witness for the defendants.

Counsel for the defendants objected to the question.

The court allowed the question but instructed the witness that she was not obliged to answer it. She didn't answer.

Derdeloco went to city hall and got a marriage license, and, the government alleged, convinced the woman that no further ceremony was necessary, and, the police further alleged, the defendants lived as man and wife.

The defendants denied that they had lived together as man and wife and Derdeloco testified that he had a wife and three children in Greece.

It was evident that the facts in the case were being covered up and after a long and tedious attempt to unearth them Judge Hadley dismissed the defendants. He said, however, that he knew there was something in the background that had not been brought out.

TO THE STATE FARM.

The case of Joseph Coyle, charged with being a vagrant, came up on continuance in police court today. When the case was called a few days ago Coyle pleaded not guilty.

Officer O'Brien said he has seen Coyle loafing about Middlesex street for the last two months. He did not know what the boy's habits were.

"Have you any questions to ask?" asked the court of Coyle.

"No," he replied. "I don't believe that officer ever saw me before. I never saw him before."

Officer Dooley, who arrested Coyle from Wyman's lodging house in Middlesex street, said that Coyle has been loafing about the streets for months, sleeping in cheap lodging houses and begging his meals from door to door.

Inspector Donaldson told of a conversation he had with Coyle after the latter's arrest.

Mr. Donaldson said that Coyle told him, in reply to questions, that he had gone to Kentucky a few months ago. He did not pay any fare but managed to get there and back on freight trains. Coyle said he was in Lawrence a few days ago and admitted that he brought back with him a number of razors and shears.

"Where did you get them?" asked the deputy.

"I got them from a fellow I met in Lawrence, I don't know who he was," replied Coyle. He was sentenced to the state farm.

PUBLIC HEARING

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

On Wednesday evening next a hearing will be given by the appropriations committee to hear what suggestions the public may have to make in regard to the making of department appropriations.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Cotton futures opened weak, March, 14.00 a 14.38; April, 14.09; May, 14.25 a 14.05; June, 14.21; July, 14.29 a 14.06; Aug. 13.60 a 13.52; Sept., 12.00; Oct., 11.94 a 11.83.

BOARD OF TRADE STATEMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The January statement of the board of trade shows decreases of $1,163,500 in imports and $4,101,500 in exports.

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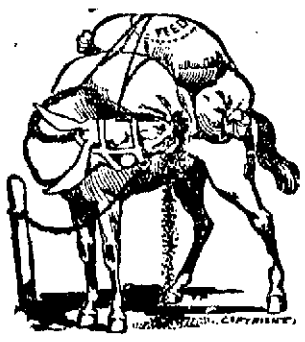
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FIREMEN SAVED LIFE OF WOMAN

Exciting Incidents at Fire in Boston

BOSTON, Feb. 6.--Fire that broke out shortly before 11 o'clock last night created considerable consternation among the occupants of the four-story apartment house, 6 St. Paul street, Back Bay. With the hallways and rooms rapidly filling with smoke from the fire in the basement, the tenants, many of whom had retired for the night, were forced to flee for safety in their nightclothes.

One young woman who had made her escape from the third floor became so excited that she dashed back into the house and made her way to her room through the dense smoke. Arriving on the third floor she became frightened and was nearly unconscious from the smoke when she managed to drag herself to the front window and cry for help. A ladder was run up and she was brought down in safety.

For the first few minutes after the fire was discovered there was somewhat of a panic among the occupants, but all succeeded in getting out. The fire was attended at the same time with amusing incidents, but which in no wise appeared as such to the men and women who were trying to get out into the open air.

RAN THROUGH THE STREET.

Mrs. E. M. Libby occupies the second floor, and Mrs. Esther Hill and Miss McCully room with her. At the first cry of fire Mrs. Hill jumped from her bed, and clad only in her nightdress and slippers, dashed down the stairs through the smoke and ran through Norway street up to the corner of Massachusetts avenue. The sight of a woman so lightly clad running madly through the snow-covered streets with the thermometer below the freezing point, was a cause of wonderment to many who saw the performance, and upon her return to the house there followed in her wake a large and curious throng.

Mrs. Hall was clearly exhausted and completely chilled by her experience, and was given shelter by neighbors until the fire was put out, when she returned to her own apartments.

Up on the third floor the inmates were also having their share of excitement. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are the occupants and have as lodgers Miss Helen Peters and Miss Rose Henley. All four managed to make their way down through the smoke. When on the sidewalk it occurred to Miss Henley that she had gathered up most of her belongings, but had left a valuable coat behind. Without a word she ran back into the building and fought her way upstairs. There she became nearly exhausted and with difficulty gained the front window.

Her cries for help were heard by the firemen, who by that time felt that every one was safely out of the house. A ladder was quickly put up, and ladderman Charles A. Wolfe ran up and taking the young woman in his arms carried her down in safety once more.

On the fourth floor lives Miss Della Hayes, who conducts a lodging house. She had just retired and was awakened first by the clang of the fire engine gongs. She looked out of the window and then ran to the door leading into the hallway.

The smoke puffed in her face and she was forced back. With no other means of escape Mrs. Hayes, in her night dress climbed up the narrow ladder to the roof and made her way across to the roof of the house numbered 8, adjoining on the south. The woman was forced to pound on the skylight for several minutes before the occupants of the house realized her predicament and opened the skylight from the inside. She then made her way down the ladder and went into the apartments of the family on the top floor where she was cared for until the fire was out.

At the same time George Forbes, who lodged with Mrs. Hayes, was aroused from his sleep in his room. He was dazed with the smoke and in the excitement gathered up his clothing and dashed down the stairs with the bundle under his arm. He found his way into a room on the second floor and there dressed himself partially and made his way out in safety.

During the fire Mrs. Libby was much affected by the possible loss of her pet canary, which was in the dining room of her flat. She besought the firemen to go up and get it for her, but they were too busy putting the fire out. Finally she appealed to patrolman Brock, and not in vain, as he finally went up and brought the bird down.

The property is owned by Arthur S. Tucker. The loss will be about $300.

GEORGE GARDNER

Is Matched to Meet Kid Carter

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—George Gardner of Lowell, Mass., and "Kid" Carter of Brooklyn, have been matched to go six rounds before the Milwaukee boxing club on Feb. 19.

JACKSON GETS DECISION.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 6.—"Young Peter Jackson," a colored welterweight boxer of this city, got the decision over Mike Donovan of Rochester, N. Y., in their 15-round contest before the Eureka athletic and social club. The decision of the referee was not at all objectionable to the white man.

NELSON BEATS JACK O'NEIL.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—Battling Nelson of Chicago, got the decision over Jack O'Neil of Philadelphia, after six fierce rounds before the Badger A. C. last night.

WEAK OPENING

Trading in Cotton Only Moderately Active

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The buying of cotton yesterday supposed to be for a bull pool in order to regain control of the market came to naught again today when a sensational break in Liverpool, very threatening news from the far east, heavy estimated receipts and a bearish visible supply statement rendered the local bears more confident than ever. The New York market opened weak at a loss of 40 a 55 points which had been increased to 52 a 76 points on the active months before the call was completed, with March selling as low as 13.88, May at 14.06 and July at 14.08. Following this there was considerable covering and prices rallied a few points from the bottom but every trifling bulge brought out fresh pressure. The market ruled very feverish and irregular. The New Orleans market opened at a decline of 30 a 39 points and there was little sign of New Orleans buying in the local market. Trading after the call was only moderately active.

LIVERPOOL MARKET STEADY.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 6.—The cotton market opened steady with prices irregular. There was a large business but not much excitement until the last hour when prices gave way, in some cases 25 points from the highest. Later they rallied a little but again weakened, closing 4 to 12 points lower than yesterday's closing, except October and November which was one point higher.

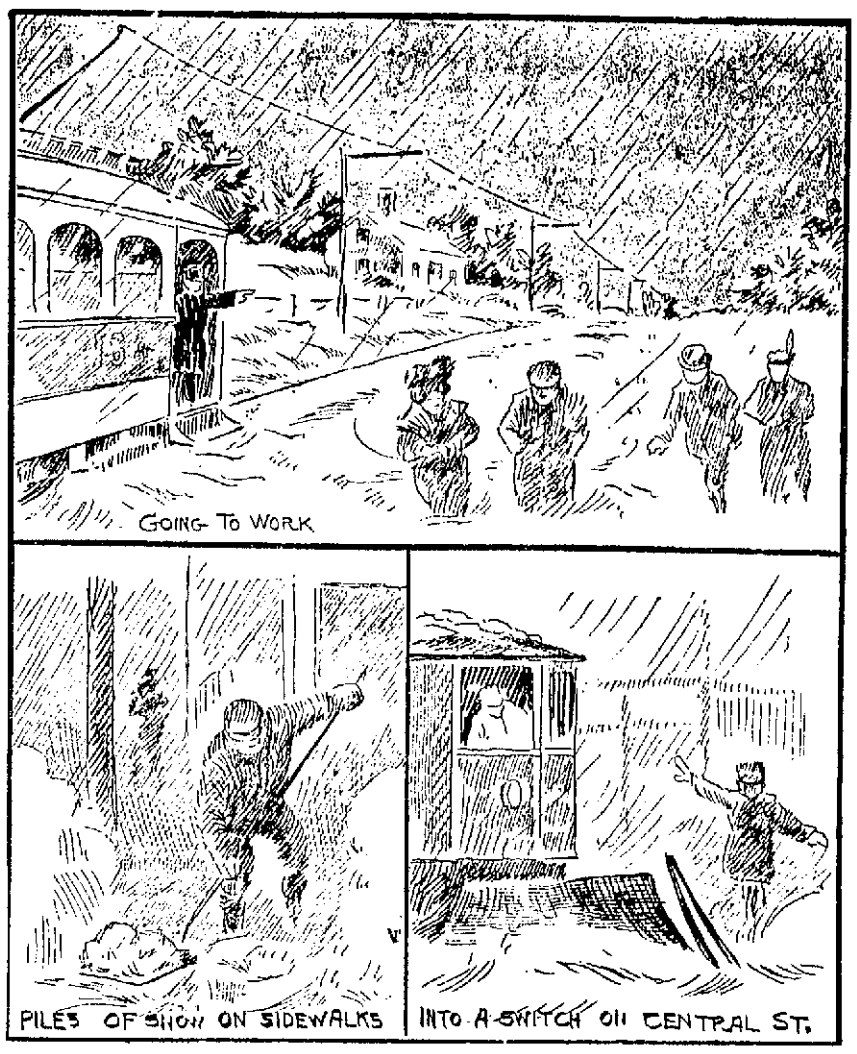
NEGRO SAILORS

TO TAKE THE PLACES OF STRIKERS.

BOSTON, Feb 6—Six West Indian negro sailors arrived from New York city today by rail to take the places of some of the union seamen who are now on strike at this port. The sailors were met at the south terminal by a squad of police and escorted to Atlantic avenue, but they experienced no trouble of any kind.

WOOLEN MILLS SOLD.

MONSON, Mass., Feb. 6—The Golden Rod Woolen mills here, which have been in financial difficulties, have been sold to Thomas G. and Henry Lancey of Pittsfield, Me. The Lanceys expect to reopen the plant within a month.



EARLY MORNING SKETCHES IN THE STORM.

ANOTHER STORM

Car Service Badly Disabled by the Snow

After enjoying open winters for the past several years the old fashioned winter this year has been very troublesome, for besides the intensely cold days, we have had enough snow for several seasons; but the snow still continues to come and according to the weather clerk we have a few more good storms coming to us before the spring sets in.

A storm started this morning shortly after midnight and while the snowfall was not heavy it caused the street railroad company considerable trouble, owing to the sudden drop in the temperature which caused the snow to freeze on the rails. As soon as the snow started word was sent to the power house to get the ploughs out and during the early hours of the morning seventeen snow ploughs were plying their way over the different routes throughout the city and the suburbs, and when the first cars went out this morning the tracks were in fairly good condition.

The mill operatives who depend upon the cars managed for the most part to get to their work on time, but between 6.30 and seven o'clock the temperature took a sudden drop and the coating of snow which was on the rails started to freeze, then the fun began. The cars went pretty well on the level but when an upgrade was reached, no matter how slight the motormen found trouble. In many cases sand was used with good effect, but on steep upgrades the cars were unable to advance.

Owing to the fact that there was considerable snow between the rails since the last two storms the diggers on the ploughs and cars could not get down close enough to the rails to clear all of the snow off, and this made it difficult to keep the tracks clear. The short lines are in fairly good condition, but the long routes are in the worst shape and to add to the trouble of frost rails on the suburban lines, the snow falls back on and between the rails so rapidly that it is very difficult to keep the line open.

After 6.30 o'clock the cars were running on any old schedule and the Christian Hill car which is due in Merrimack square at 6.32 failed to reach there until 7.20, the worst trouble being encountered on the slight upgrade from the terminus of the line at Methuen street to Tenth street. The conductors on the cars were kept busy sweeping the rails while the motormen piled the sand in order to get the car up the grade.

The first Boston car came in on pretty good time but the cars after that had a great deal of trouble as did the Lawrence, Nashua, Billerica and Chelmsford Centre lines.

Supt. of Construction O'Donnell was on the scene early this morning with his snow ploughs and had over 100 men at work in an attempt to keep the lines open and in this he was pretty successful. A fine sleet started shortly before 10 o'clock and the railroad men said that if it continued it would put the road out of commission, but luckily it lasted but a few minutes, though the storm threatens to turn into sleet.

The motormen have found it very difficult to cover the stretches of road on which there are grooved rails, for it is almost impossible to keep these rails clear, the grooves being so small, and they are continually filled with fine snow, which freezes rapidly.

An accident happened in the early morning which had it occurred during the day would have tied up the electric car traffic in the city for quite a while. While one of the big ploughs was coming through Central Street about 2 o'clock one of the blades of the plough struck the frog at the corner of Central and Prescott streets and ripped the switch almost out of its socket, twisting it in a manner which made it impossible to straighten it without taking it to the power house.

The spikes were taken out of the frog and it was placed on one of the ploughs and taken to the blacksmith shop at the power house, where it was straightened and placed in position again.

THE STEAM RAILROAD.

The storm struck the Boston & Maine railroad pretty hard and all of the trains running into the Northern station were between 25 and 30 minutes late. The most trouble is encountered from trains from the north and the majority of these trains coming into the city have been so completely covered with snow and frost that they present a most picturesque sight.

Nearly all of the ploughs on the railroad were started out early this morning and extra help has been hired to keep the tracks clear.

The street department did not put on any extra men today as the result of the storm but are working with a crew of 650 men and several hired teams.

FORCED TO STEAL

Landscape Artist is Under Arrest

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Forced to steal, according to his own confession, in order to provide food for his wife and children and to save his family from eviction, George P. Osborne, a well-known landscape artist of this city, was arrested today by a headquarters' detective, charged with larceny. Unable to find a market for any of his pictures, Osborne was driven to find employment in painting signs in a clothing store. He got little money for this and because his children were hungry, he said, he stole several garments and pawned them. He was detected and arrested.

EXCHANGES AND BALANCES.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Exchanges, $21,644,699; balances, $1,816,929.

Exchanges for the week: $128,482,059; corresponding week last year, $144,520,633.

Balances for the week: $9,828,111; corresponding week last year, $12,274,842.

BANK RECORDS BROKEN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—For three consecutive weeks the bank statement has broken all previous records as regards aggregate of loans and deposits. The grand total of loans is now $998,850,800, while deposits have grown to the unprecedented sum of $1,027,156,500.

GAINED FAME AS CARVER.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Robert Ellin, who had an international reputation as a stone and wood carver, is dead at his home in Yonkers from heart failure. He came from England in 1867 and was looked upon as the founder of the artistic stone carving business in the United States. Many of the finest homes in New York were ornamented by him.

Y. M. C. I. ball, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening. Elaborate decorations. Knowlton & Allen's orchestra, of Natick, the best in the state.

REPORT OF DEATHS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

Jan.
27—Lizzie M. Hadley, 60, pernicious anaemia.
29—Marie C. C. Drolet, 3 mos., marasmus.
30—Dorothy A. Lawrence, 84, carcinoma.
Benjamin W. Waterhouse, 74, la grippe.
Olive Wiggin, 85, cong. of lungs.
31—Samuel W. Preston, 88, general debility.
Emposell Smith, 61, heart disease.
Annie B. Love, 39, pulm. tuberculosis.
Napoleon Bergeron, 31, empyemia.
Feb.
1—John Butler, 56, pneumonia.
Arthur Riopelle, 32, pneumonia.
Annie Taylor, 18, epilepsy.
Cyrille Beauchesne, 1, acute indigestion.
Palmira Cotta, 21 days, cyanosis.
George J. Parent, 1 day, prem. birth.
Sarah Blanchard, 78, disease of heart.
Caroline A. Richardson, 72, appendicitis.
Frances E. Wilson, 1 mo., entero colitis.
Marie Tremble, 1 day, marasmus.
2—Michael Reed, 67, bright's disease.
Margaret Butler, 48, pneumonia.
Bryan Gorman, 69, nephritis.
3—Edward W. Hall, 22, tuberculosis.
4—Rose E. Hammond, 8 mos., cap. bronchitis.
5—Ellen Vomvori, 2, pneumonia.
Betsey A. Sweetsir, 86, senile debility.

GIRARD P. DADMAN, City Clerk.

MAY BE DISABLED

STEAMER IS SEEKING A PLACE OF REFUGE.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 6—A large side-wheel steamer which appeared to be seeking a refuge from the storm was seen in the lower harbor today. Her identity could not be ascertained because of the thick weather. The steamer was unable to enter the harbor because of ice. The storm had increased almost to a hurricane at noon. The steamer is thought to be one of the Boston-Bangor boats, possibly disabled.

MORE FACTORIES CLOSED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6—Seven more carriage and wagon factories have closed because of the demands of the union for increased wages and a closed shop. These are now 101 factories shut down and 1058 carriage and wagon workers idle.

BOUGHT BY MORGAN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—J. P. Morgan has purchased the Lewis Sayre Burchard collection of Norman French romances, for which several universities and colleges of America have been negotiating.

BUTLER IS FREE

Millionaire Politician Acquitted by Jury

FULTON, Mo., Feb. 6.—Edward Butler of St. Louis, the millionaire politician who has been on trial on a charge of bribing members of the St. Louis house of delegates to secure the passage of a city lighting bill in 1899, was acquitted today by a jury in Judge Graves court. When the jury first came in today they reported that they were unable to agree.

"Is there any prospect of your reaching an early decision?" asked the court.

"I cannot say," replied Foreman Rosher, "we are still considering the case."

Judge Gray thereupon requested the jury to retire. Later they reported their verdict.

AUTOMOBILE RUN

LARGEST AND LONGEST EVER HELD HERE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Plans are being made for the largest and longest automobile endurance run ever held in this country. In connection with the endurance run itself, it is also hoped to hold a series of club runs, all to have St. Louis for their goal. If proper arrangements can be made, the race track at St. Louis may be secured for a week or more at the close of the run and races and exhibition runs will be held.

Those who have been discussing the subject are inclined to believe that sometime in June, probably from the middle to the end of the month would be the most acceptable time for the run. It is proposed that the main event, the endurance run, shall start from this city and from one week to ten days will be given to reach St. Louis.

ON SHORT TIME

COTTON MILLS IN CHICOPEE WILL BE RUN.

CHICOPEE, Mass., Feb. 6--The Dwight Manufacturing company today shut down cotton mills No. 1, 2, 3 and 4 here and hereafter these mills will be inoperation five days each week until the conditions of the market permit a greater manufacture of cloth. As yet the Chicopee Manufacturing company at the Falls has done nothing in the way of shortening the hours per week, although such action would not be unexpected, as cotton mills in this part of the state are finding it necessary to curtail their output.

DANGER OF FLOOD

IS INCREASED BY THE STEADY THAWS.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 6--The steady thaw which began last night is hourly increasing the danger of a flood. The Susquehanna river here and for 30 miles above is covered with thick ice frozen solid from bank to bank. No perceptible rise has yet been observed, but there is such a great depth of snow on the hills that when it begins to melt the creeks will be swollen and a large quantity of water will pour into the river. Residents along the banks are preparing to move and the railroads have increased their force of track walkers.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6—The stock market opened easy. Amalgamated Copper, 46; Atchison, 67 7-8 and 68; Baltimore & Ohio, 81 1-2; Brooklyn Transit, 40; Canadian Pacific, 116 1-2; Erie, 26 1-8; do first pfd., 64 3-4; Louisville, 104; Manhattan, 141 3-4; Missouri Pacific, 90 5-8; New York Central, 117 3-4; Norfolk & Western, 59; Ontario & Western, 21 1-2; Penna., 116 1-2; Reading, 43; Rock Island, 22 5-8; Sugar, 124 1-8; St. Paul, 141 3-8; Southern Pacific, 47 1-8; Southern Ry., 21 1-4; Texas Pacific, 24; Union Pacific, 78 5-8; U. S. Steel, 10 3-4; do pfd., 54 3-4; Wabash pfd., 35 3-4.

COLDEST DAY YET.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., Feb. 6—With the mercury 60 degrees below zero, today was without exception the coldest known in many years. The mercury was reported as frozen for hours in several places in this vicinity. The weather was hazy and there was no wind.

APPOINTED A SENATOR.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—Privy Councillor Zuenger has been relieved of the portfolio of the ministry of public instruction at his own request, owing to ill health, and has been appointed a senator.

GAS CO. HEARING

At Tuesday's Meeting of of Aldermen

The board of aldermen will meet on Tuesday evening next and unless a special meeting of the lower branch is called by the mayor between now and then there will be no meeting of the common council on that evening. The upper branch will give a haring on the petition of the Chelmsford Gaslight company to lay pipes, etc., in the streets of Lowell, offering to pay the city $25,000 for the franchise.

LARGELY ATTENDED

FUNERAL OF THE LATE GEORGE A. PARKHURST.

The funeral of George A. Parkhurst took place from his late home in Chelmsford this afternoon and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. Present at the services were representatives of the G. A. R. of this city, and also a delegation from Chelmsford lodge, I. O. O. F. Services were held at the house at 1.30 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Shurtleff and at two o'clock the public service was held at the Unitarian church in that town, Rev. Mr. Shurtleff officiating. During the service there was appropriate singing by a choir which was augmented for the occasion. The interment was in Forefathers' cemetery in Chelmsford.

AN ELECTRONOMETER

NEW INSTRUMENT INVENTED BY RESEARCH WORKERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The capillary electronometer, a new instrument, delicate enough to register the minute discharges of electricity in nerves and muscles has been invented by research workers in the physiology laboratory at the University of Chicago. The invention will greatly aid the cure of lockjaw they hope, and be of great use in nervous diseases.

All life action is chemical and electrical, the inventors believe and by the action of the electrical discharge from a moving muscle of the mercury in the tube the amount of energy expended may be guaged.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Money on call closed nominal, no loans today. Prime mercantile paper 4¾ @ 5¼ per cent.; sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 485.55 @ 485.60 for demand and at 482.90 @ 483 for 60 days; posted rates 483½ and 486 @ ½; commercial bills 482 @ ¼.

Bar silver 55½, Mexican dollars 48, government bonds, steady, railroad bonds easy.

Exchanges $194,011,148; balances $9,404,105.

For the week: Exchanges $1,251,263,858; balances $60,192,501.

Total clearings of all the bank clearing houses throughout the United States for the week ending today were $2,164,928,441, a decrease of 10.5 per cent. compared with the corresponding period last year.

CLEARING HOUSE BANKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans increase $4,298,700; deposits increase $3,212,700; circulation decrease $11,219,600; legal tenders decrease $2,972,500; specie increase $489,400; reserve decrease $2,483,100; reserve required increase $803,175; surplus $21,842,775; decrease $3,386,275; ex-United States deposits $31,056,100; decrease $3,287,700.

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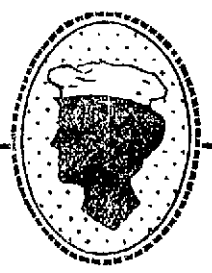

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THE SUN LATEST

5 O'CLOCK

PRIZE FIGHTING

Will be Taken up Again in Boston

Choynski and Kid Carter Not Indicted—Mannix Held on Charge of Forgery

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—"Joe" Choynski and "Kid" Carter of New York and Chicago respectively, who were arrested by order of the Boston police board charged with having engaged in a prize fight, were discharged today in the Suffolk county superior criminal court, the grand jury having failed to find an indictment against them. The arrest of Choynski and Carter was made during a raid at the Criterion Athletic club which was carried out by order of Judge Emmons, chairman of the police board in fulfillment of his announced policy to stop all illegal boxing and prize fighting in the city. Eight other men who were held for the action of the grand jury on the charge of aiding and abetting the fight also were discharged, a "no bill" having been found in each instance. It is understood that the managers of the various athletic clubs where the sparring contests have been held will interpret the report of the grand jury as a ruling that boxing legally may be resumed in Boston.

An indictment charging murder was found against Roy C. Johnson of Burlington, Vt., who is alleged to have shot and killed Mrs. Sadie Peters at a lodging house at the South End.

William F. Mannix was indicted on the charge of forgery. He was arrested on suspicion of having used the name of George B. Cortelyou, secretary of the department of commerce and labor and also on suspicion of trying to use the name of Gov. Bates.

JURY DISAGREED

In Manslaughter Case Against Rev. Frank W. Sandford

AUBURN, Me., Feb. 6.—The jury, who were out all night on the trial of Rev. Frank W. Sandford for alleged manslaughter, did not return a verdict at the opening of court today as instructed, but remained in their room. Reports were heard that the jury stood 10 to 2 for conviction.

Justice A. R. Savage called in the jury shortly after 10 o'clock and read to them a section of the Massachusetts statutes touching upon the duty of juries to agree. Then he requested them to retire and agree upon a verdict.

County Attorney Skelton stated today that he will not try the remaining four counts charging cruelty this term on account of the fact that so many jurors and people have heard the testimony in this case that their testimony might be affected again, saying he would recall them in a short time. The jury thereupon retired again and when the members again appeared the verdict of "not guilty" was announced.

The jury after an all-night session reported a disagreement this morning on the manslaughter case.

A GREEK WOMAN

Asked in Court if She Killed a Man

SHE WAS NOT OBLIGED TO ANSWER

Joseph Coyle Sent to the State Farm

"Did you kill a man in Greece?" This rather startling question was asked by Deputy Welch in police court today.

The question was put to Stavrula Koucoulomatis, a Greek woman, witness in the case of James Derdeloco and Chrysaido Koucoulomatis, who were charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation. The woman to whom the question was submitted was a witness for the defendants.

Counsel for the defendants objected to the question.

The court allowed the question but instructed the witness that she was not obliged to answer it. She didn't answer.

Derdeloco went to city hall and got a marriage license, and, the government alleged, convinced the woman that no further ceremony was necessary, and, the police further alleged, the defendants lived as man and wife.

The defendants denied that they had lived together as man and wife and Derdeloco testified that he had a wife and three children in Greece.

It was evident that the facts in the case were being covered up and after a long and tedious attempt to unearth them Judge Hadley dismissed the defendants. He said, however, that he knew there was something in the background that had not been brought out.

TO THE STATE FARM.

The case of Joseph Coyle, charged with being a vagrant, came up on continuance in police court today. When the case was called a few days ago Coyle pleaded not guilty.

Officer O'Brien said he has seen Coyle loafing about Middlesex street for the last two months. He did not know what the boy's habits were.

"Have you any questions to ask?" asked the court of Coyle.

"No," he replied. "I don't believe that officer ever saw me before. I never saw him before."

Officer Dooley, who arrested Coyle from Wyman's lodging house in Middlesex street, said that Coyle has been loafing about the streets for months, sleeping in cheap lodging houses and begging his meals from door to door.

Inspector Donaldson told of a conversation he had with Coyle after the latter's arrest.

Mr. Donaldson said that Coyle told him, in reply to questions, that he had gone to Kentucky a few months ago. He did not pay any fare but managed to get there and back on freight trains. Coyle said he was in Lawrence a few days ago and admitted that he brought back with him a number of razors and shears.

"Where did you get them?" asked the deputy.

"I got them from a fellow I met in Lawrence, I don't know who he was," replied Coyle. He was sentenced to the state farm.

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CHASE MISSING

Alleged That Accounts Are Short

LEADING CHURCH MAN AND OFFICIAL

Church Funds Believed to be Safe

LYNN, Feb. 6.—Harry E. Chase, cashier for E. V. Hyde, treasurer and former Sunday school superintendent of the East Baptist church, is missing, and it is alleged his accounts have been found short several hundred dollars.

Having borne an excellent reputation and been honored and trusted by friends and acquaintances his disappearance has caused a sensation.

Before departing it is stated he made a complete confession to Mr. Hyde, admitting taking money from the cash sales in the grocery store and stating that he did not know how much his peculations would amount to except that they might be several hundred dollars.

Last night the trustees and deacons of the church carefully examined the books and found them correct up to Jan. 16. The investigation will be carried further, but the deacons state that in their opinion the accounts of the church had been faithfully and honestly kept and there was no defalcation.

Mr. Chase is married and left a wife and two children at 69 Allen avenue, where he has made his home for several years. Mrs. Chase is prostrated with the disappearance of her husband and stories of wrong-doing. She has not heard from him, and fears he has become despondent.

Knowlton & Allen's orchestra of Natick, considered the best in the state, will furnish music at the Y. M. C. I. ball next Tuesday evening at Huntington hall.

WOMAN ARRESTED

Charged With Causing Man's Death

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Bessie Healey, 21 years old, is in the hands of the Paterson, N. J., police by whom she is charged with causing the death of James Kohn, 23 years old, son of a wealthy saloonkeeper. The young woman separated from her husband some time ago on account of Kohn. The husband had called on her just before Kohn was killed. All three spent some time drinking together. Soon after Healey left the woman rushed out of the flat and told the neighbors she had stabbed Kohn with a bread knife because he had threatened to kill her. She went out unconcernedly and a few minutes later was arrested by the police who found Kohn bleeding to death.

THE LUCKY ONES

AT WOOD'S BIG BUNDLE SALE YESTERDAY.

Below is a list of the lucky ones and the prizes they were awarded at Wood's mammoth bundle sale yesterday. The sale will be continued until further notice. The list follows:

Miss Clara Gagnon, Chelmsford Centre, Alpine diamond cluster, value $3.50.

Mrs. Annie O'Hare, 53 Cedar street, 8-day kitchen clock, cathedral gong, ½ hour strike, value $4.00.

Mrs. William Kittredge, 14 Ralph street, Alpine diamond pin, value $3.50.

Frank Clark, 40 East Pine street, silver fruit dish, value $5.00.

Edward Seymore, North Chelmsford, gent's watch chain, gold filled, value $5.00.

Mrs. Frances Regan, 93 Union street, onyx and gold table, value $20.

George H. Russell, 75 Powell street, Middlesex Steam Laundry, fancy tray, value $2.00.

Mrs. Francis Regan, 93 Union street, gold filled watch, value $10.

Mrs. Leda Lemay, 469 Merrimack street.

M. H. McCue, 781 Broadway street, walnut office clock, value $6.00.

Maria Walsh, 5 Watson street, gold finish clock, value $1.50.

W. Drake, 160 Appleton street, silver fern dish, value $5.

P. F. Mahoney, 162 Crosby street, gold filled gents' chain.

William Callahan, 75 Bartlett street, clock, value $1.

J. Daley, 118 Appleton street, tray, value $2.

Mary Hill, 308 High street, clock, value $2.25.

Mary McDonald, 308 High street, silver ladle, value $3.

M. S. Taisey, 108 Central street, gold opal ring, value $3.50.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, clock, value $1.

Herbert French, Tewksbury, locket, value $1.50.

R. Denault, 41 Jewett street, hat brush, value $1.50.

W. Vigeant, 102 Ford street, charm, value $1.50.

Margaret Murphy, 53 Cedar street, walnut case clock, 8-day strike.

John McElroy, 305 Fairmount street, combination set, cream ladle, sugar spoon and butter knife.

Mrs. Arthur Locke, 3 Coral street, hat brush, value $2.

Norman Bell, 23 Second street, watch for boy.

STOCK WATERED

CHARGE MADE AGAINST A PLANTATION COMPANY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6—Two suits of stockholders' liabilities filed today by the Hana plantation company allege that the stock of that corporation, which owns one of the oldest sugar plantations in the Hawaiian islands, was watered from $300,000 to the extent of $5,000,000. The suits are filed by the present board of directors in the name of the company against directors who had charge of the company's affairs in the past. The former directors are charged with having given away and distributed among themselves 15,000 shares of capital stock and of having incurred debts of $235,581 in excess of the amount permitted by the state laws. The giving away of the shares of stock is alleged to be a violation of the state constitution.

MUNITIONS OF WAR

INTENDED FOR GENERAL JIMINEZ WERE SEIZED.

CAPE HAYTIEN, Hayti, Feb. 6—Quantities of munitions of war intended for Gen. Jiminez, the Dominican revolutionary leader, were seized at Puerta Plata on the northern coast of the republic of Santo Domingo yesterday after having been landed there from the Clyde line steamer New York from New York Jan. 30.

RADIUM EXHIBIT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Dr. George F. Kunzig, of this city, special agent of the United States geological survey, has been appointed commissioner of the radium exhibit at the St. Louis exposition and has been authorized to prepare and procure material therefor, comprising radio-active substances of all kinds and also exhibits to illustrate the action of radium compounds, ultra violet light and Roentgen rays upon mineral and chemical substances. This exhibit is to be made by the United States geological survey in the United States government building at St. Louis. There will be a second exhibit of radium and radio-active substances in the mines building.

COLONEL JOHNSON DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Colonel Geo. W. Johnson, chaplain of Clarence MacKenzie post, G. A. R., in Brooklyn and who served in the Civil war with the Fifth Minnesota volunteers, is dead. He was atacked while reading the burial service over another member of the post, and died within a few minutes, surrounded by his comrades.

BRITISH SHIP ASHORE.

RANGOON, India, Feb. 6.—The British ship Laomene (Capt. Hughes from Philadelphia, Oct. 12, for Rangoon) is ashore on the Alguada reef and will probably become a wreck. There has been no loss of life.

PUBLIC HEARING

BY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

On Wednesday evening next a hearing will be given by the appropriations committee to hear what suggestions the public may have to make in regard to the making of department appropriations.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Cotton futures opened weak. March, 14.00 a 14.38; April, 14.09; May, 14.25 a 14.05; June, 14.21; July, 14.29 a 14.08; Aug. 13.60 a 13.52; Sept., 12.60; Oct., 11.94 a 11.83.

BOARD OF TRADE STATEMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The January statement of the board of trade shows decreases of $1,163,500 in imports and $4,101,500 in exports.

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GERMAN ARMY

WILL BE MAINTAINED AT PRESENT PEACE STRENGTH.

BERLIN, Feb. 6.—The Reichstag today passed the bill prolonging for one year the maintenance of the army at its present peace strength. It was generally predicted before the last election that the government would attempt to carry a bill this winter increasing the number of troops under arms; but, the unsatisfactory financial status of the empire prevented it. It is now believed the government merely postponed the execution of the plan until the next session of the Reichstag.

PANIC STRICKEN

THREE VIOLENT EARTH SHOCKS FOLLOWED BY SLIGHTER ONES.

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 6.—The populations of Barasso and Kesdi Vasserhely were panic stricken by earth shocks at 3.52 this morning. Three violent shocks were followed by four slighter shocks, causing the people to spring from their beds and rush into the streets. No serious damage was done.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY

FROM THE BIGELOW CARPET COMPANY TO TYNGSBORO.

The employes of the Axminster department of the Bigelow Manufacturing company took their annual sleigh ride to Butterfield's farm at Tyngsboro last night. They left the post office at 8 o'clock and made the welkin ring with songs and fish horns. Arriving at the farm the party to the number of 75 sat down to an enjoyable supper served by Mr. Butterfield in his usual good style. The supper was enjoyed by all, and afterward games and dancing to the music of Grosse's hurdy gurdy. The party returned home in the early hours of the morning, a happy crowd. The general manager was Miss N. Shedy, assisted by the Misses E. Tully, Katie Reidy, and bugler Mr. J. Lyons.

IS CRITICALLY ILL.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 6.—Henry W. Oliver, the well known iron and steel master is lying critically ill at his home in Allegheny. Mr. Oliver has not been in good health for sometime past, but last night there was a change for the worse and it was feared he could not survive. This morning, however, he was resting comfortably.

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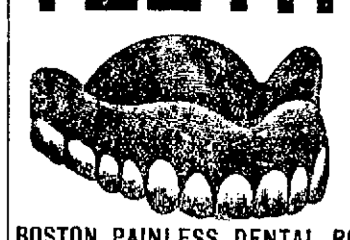

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BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Fire that broke out shortly before 11 o'clock last night created considerable consternation among the occupants of the four-story apartment house, 6 St. Paul street, Back Bay. With the hallways and rooms rapidly filling with smoke from the fire in the basement, the tenants, many of whom had retired for the night, were forced to flee for safety in their nightclothes.

One young woman who had made her escape from the third floor became so excited that she dashed back into the house and made her way to her room through the dense smoke. Arriving on the third floor she became frightened and was nearly unconscious from the smoke when she managed to drag herself to the front window and cry for help. A ladder was run up and she was brought down in safety.

For the first few minutes after the fire was discovered there was somewhat of a panic among the occupants, but all succeeded in getting out. The fire was attended at the same time with amusing incidents, but which in no wise appeared as such to the men and women who were trying to get out into the open air.

RAN THROUGH THE STREET.

Mrs. E. M. Libby occupies the second floor, and Mrs. Esther Hill and Miss McCully room with her. At the first cry of fire Mrs. Hill jumped from her bed, and clad only in her nightdress and slippers, dashed down the stairs through the smoke and ran through Norway street up to the corner of Massachusetts avenue. The sight of a woman so lightly clad running madly through the snow-covered streets with the thermometer below the freezing point, was a cause of wonderment to many who saw the performance, and upon her return to the house there followed in her wake a large and curious throng.

Mrs. Hall was clearly exhausted and completely chilled by her experience, and was given shelter by neighbors until the fire was put out, when she returned to her own apartments.

Up on the third floor the inmates were also having their share of excitement. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are the occupants and have as lodgers Miss Helen Peters and Miss Rose Henley. All four managed to make their way down through the smoke. When on the sidewalk it occurred to Miss Henley that she had gathered up most of her belongings, but had left a valuable coat behind. Without a word she ran back into the building and fought her way upstairs. There she became nearly exhausted and with difficulty gained the front window.

Her cries for help were heard by the firemen, who by that time felt that every one was safely out of the house. A ladder was quickly put up, and ladderman Charles A. Wolfe ran up and taking the young woman in his arms carried her down in safety once more.

On the fourth floor lives Miss Della Hayes, who conducts a lodging house. She had just retired and was awakened first by the clang of the fire engine gongs. She looked out of the window and then ran to the door leading into the hallway. The smoke puffed in her face and she was forced back. With no other means of escape Mrs. Hayes, in her night dress climbed up the narrow ladder to the roof and made her way across to the roof of the house numbered 8, adjoining on the south. The woman was forced to pound on the skylight for several minutes before the occupants of the house realized her predicament and opened the skylight from the inside. She then made her way down the ladder and went into the apartments of the family on the top floor where she was cared for until the fire was out.

At the same time George Forbes, who lodged with Mrs. Hayes, was aroused from his sleep in his room. He was dazed with the smoke and in the excitement gathered up his clothing and dashed down the stairs with the bundle under his arm. He found his way into a room on the second floor and there dressed himself partially and made his way out in safety.

During the fire Mrs. Libby was much affected by the possible loss of her pet canary, which was in the dining room of her flat. She besought the firemen to go up and get it for her, but they were too busy putting the fire out. Finally she appealed to patrolman Brock, and not in vain, as he finally went up and brought the bird down.

The property is owned by Arthur S. Tucker. The loss will be about $800.

GEORGE GARDNER

Is Matched to Meet Kid Carter

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—George Gardner of Lowell, Mass., and "Kid" Carter of Brooklyn, have been matched to go six rounds before the Milwaukee boxing club on Feb. 19.

JACKSON GETS DECISION.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 6.—"Young Peter Jackson," a colored welterweight boxer of this city, got the decision over Mike Donovan of Rochester, N. Y., in their 15-round contest before the Eureka athletic and social club. The decision of the referee was not at all objectionable to the white man.

NELSON BEATS JACK O'NEIL.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 6.—Battling Nelson of Chicago, got the decision over Jack O'Neil of Philadelphia, after six fierce rounds before the Badger A. C. last night.

WEAK OPENING

Trading in Cotton Only Moderately Active

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The buying of cotton yesterday supposed to be for a bull pool in order to regain control of the market came to naught again today when a sensational break in Liverpool, very threatening news from the far east, heavy estimated receipts and a bearish visible supply statement rendered the local bears more confident than ever. The New York market opened weak at a loss of 40 a 55 points which had been increased to 55 a 70 points on the active months before the call was completed, with March selling as low as 13.88, May at 14.05 and July at 14.08. Following this there was considerable covering and prices rallied a few points from the bottom but every trifling bulge brought out fresh pressure. The market ruled very feverish and irregular. The New Orleans market opened at a decline of 30 a 39 points and there was little sign of New Orleans buying in the local market. Trading after the call was only moderately active.

LIVERPOOL MARKET STEADY.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 6.—The cotton market opened steady with prices irregular. There was a large business but not much excitement until the last hour when prices gave way, in some cases 25 points from the highest. Later they rallied a little but again weakened, closing 4 to 12 points lower than yesterday's closing, except October and November which was one point higher.

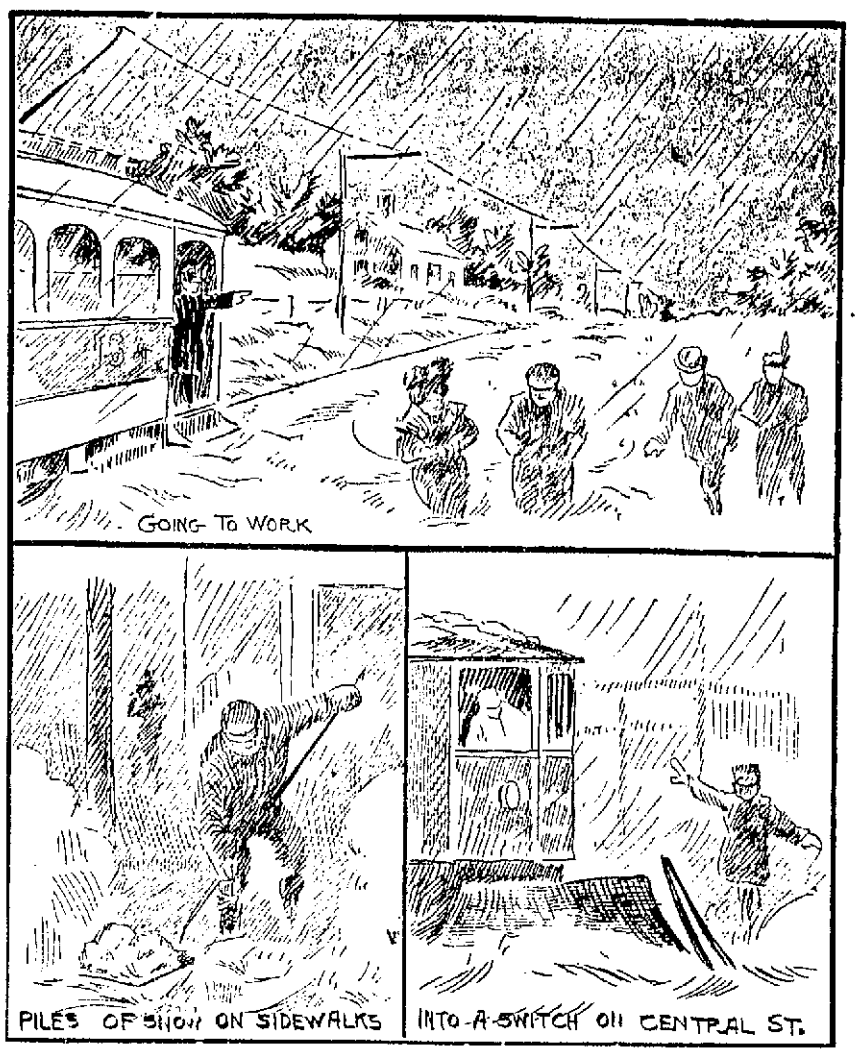
NEGRO SAILORS

TO TAKE THE PLACES OF STRIKERS.

BOSTON, Feb 6—Six West Indian negro sailors arrived from New York city today by rail to take the places of some of the union seamen who are now on strike at this port. The sailors were met at the south terminal by a squad of police and escorted to Atlantic avenue, but they experienced no trouble of any kind.

WOOLEN MILLS SOLD.

MONSON, Mass., Feb. 6—The Golden Rod Woolen mills here, which have been in financial difficulties, have been sold to Thomas G. and Henry Lancey of Pittsfield, Me. The Lanceys expect to reopen the plant within a month.



EARLY MORNING SKETCHES IN THE STORM.

ANOTHER STORM

Car Service Badly Disabled by the Snow

After enjoying open winters for the past several years the old fashioned winter this year has been very troublesome, for besides the intensely cold days, we have had enough snow for several seasons; but the snow still continues to come and according to the weather clerk we have a few more good storms coming to us before the spring sets in.

A storm started this morning shortly after midnight and while the snowfall was not heavy it caused the street railroad company considerable trouble, owing to the sudden drop in the temperature which caused the snow to freeze on the rails. As soon as the snow started word was sent to the power house to get the ploughs out and during the early hours of the morning seventeen snow ploughs were plying their way over the different routes throughout the city and the suburbs, and when the first cars went out this morning the tracks were in fairly good condition.

The mill operatives who depend upon the cars managed for the most part to get to their work on time, but between 6.30 and seven o'clock the temperature took a sudden drop and the coating of snow which was on the rails started to freeze, then the fun began. The cars went pretty well on the level but when an upgrade was reached, no matter how slight the motormen found trouble. In many cases sand was used with good effect, but on steep upgrades the cars were unable to advance.

Owing to the fact that there was considerable snow between the rails since the last two storms the diggers on the ploughs and cars could not get down close enough to the rails to clear all of the snow off, and this made it difficult to keep the tracks clear. The short lines are in fairly good condition, but the long routes are in the worst shape and to add to the trouble of frost rails on the suburban lines, the snow falls back on and between the rails so rapidly that it is very difficult to keep the line open.

After 6.30 o'clock the cars were running on any old schedule and the Christian Hill car which is due in Merrimack square at 6.32 failed to reach there until 7.20, the worst trouble being encountered on the slight upgrade from the terminus of the line at Methuen street to Tenth street. The conductors on the cars were kept busy sweeping the rails while the motormen plied the sand in order to get the car up the grade.

The first Boston car came in on pretty good time but the cars after that had a great deal of trouble as did the Lawrence, Nashua, Billerica and Chelmsford Centre lines.

Supt. of Construction O'Donnell was on the scene early this morning with his snow ploughs and had over 100 men at work in an attempt to keep the lines open and in this he was pretty successful. A fine sleet started shortly before 10 o'clock and the railroad men said that if it continued it would put the road out of commission, but luckily it lasted but a few minutes, though the storm threatens to turn into sleet.

The motormen have found it very difficult to cover the stretches of road on which there are grooved rails, for it is almost impossible to keep these rails clear, the grooves being so small, and they are continually filled with fine snow, which freezes rapidly.

An accident happened in the early morning which had it occurred during the day would have tied up the electric car traffic in the city for quite a while. While one of the big ploughs was coming through Central street about 2 o'clock one of the blades of the plough struck the frog at the corner of Central and Prescott streets and ripped the switch almost out of its socket, twisting it in a manner which made it impossible to straighten it without taking it to the power house.

The spikes were taken out of the frog and it was placed on one of the ploughs and taken to the blacksmith shop at the power house, where it was straightened and placed in position again.

THE STEAM RAILROAD.

The storm struck the Boston & Maine railroad pretty hard and all of the trains running into the Northern station were between 25 and 30 minutes late. The most trouble is encountered from trains from the north and the majority of these trains coming into the city have been so completely covered with snow and frost that they present a most picturesque sight.

Nearly all of the ploughs on the railroad were started out early this morning and extra help has been hired to keep the tracks clear.

The street department did not put on any extra men today as the result of the storm but are working with a crew of 650 men and several hired teams.

FORCED TO STEAL

Landscape Artist is Under Arrest

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Forced to steal, according to his own confession, in order to provide food for his wife and children and to save his family from eviction, George P. Osborne, a well-known landscape artist of this city, was arrested today by a headquarters' detective, charged with larceny. Unable to find a market for any of his pictures, Osborne was driven to find employment in painting signs in a clothing store. He got little money for this and because his children were hungry, he said, he stole several garments and pawned them. He was detected and arrested.

EXCHANGES AND BALANCES.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Exchanges, $21,644,699; balances, $1,816,929.

Exchanges for the week: $138,482,069; corresponding week last year, $144,520,633.

Balances for the week: $9,829,111; corresponding week last year, $12,274,842.

BANK RECORDS BROKEN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—For three consecutive weeks the bank statement has broken all previous records as regards aggregate of loans and deposits. The grand total of loans is now $998,850,800, while deposits have grown to the unprecedented sum of $1,027,156,500.

GAINED FAME AS CARVER.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Robert Ellin, who had an international reputation as a stone and wood carver, is dead at his home in Yonkers from heart failure. He came from England in 1867 and was looked upon as the founder of the artistic stone carving business in the United States. Many of the finest homes in New York were ornamented by him.

Y. M. C. I. ball, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening. Elaborate decorations. Knowlton & Allen's orchestra, of Natick, the best in the state.

REPORT OF DEATHS

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

Jan.
27—Lizzie M. Hadley, 60, pernicious anaemia.
29—Marie C. C. Drolet, 3 mos., marasmus.
30—Dorothy A. Lawrence, 81, carcinoma.
Benjamin W. Waterhouse, 74, la grippe.
Olive Wiggin, 85, cong. of lungs.
31—Samuel W. Preston, 88, general debility.
Empsell Smith, 61, heart disease.
Annie B. Love, 39, pulm. tuberculosis.
Napoleon Bergeron, 31, empyemia.
Feb.
1—John Butler, 56, pneumonia.
Arthur Ilopelle, 32, pneumonia.
Annie Taylor, 18, epilepsy.
Cyrille Beauchesne, 1, acute indigestion.
Palmira Colta, 21 days, cyanosis.
George J. Perrett, 1 day, prem. birth.
Sarah Blanchard, 75, disease of heart.
Caroline A. Richardson, 72, appendicitis.
Frances E. Wilson, 1 mo., entero colitis.
Marie Tremble, 1 day, marasmus.
2—Michael Reed, 61, Bright's disease.
Margaret Butler, 4c, pneumonia.
Bryan Gorman, 69, nephritis.
3—Edward W. Hall, 22, tuberculosis.
4—Rose E. Beaumond, 8 mos., cap. bronchitis.
5—Ellen Vomvori, 2, pneumonia.
Betsey A. Sweetsir, 86, senile debility.

GERARD P. DADMAN, City Clerk.

MAY BE DISABLED

STEAMER IS SEEKING A PLACE OF REFUGE.

BOOTHBAY HARBOR, Me., Feb. 6.—A large side-wheel steamer which appeared to be seeking a refuge from the storm was seen in the lower harbor today. Her identity could not be ascertained because of the thick weather. The steamer was unable to enter the harbor because of ice. The storm had increased almost to a hurricane at noon. The steamer is thought to be one of the Boston-Bangor boats, possibly disabled.

MORE FACTORIES CLOSED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Seven more carriage and wagon factories have closed because of the demands of the union for increased wages and a closed shop. These are now 101 factories shut down and 1068 carriage and wagon workers idle.

BOUGHT BY MORGAN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—J. P. Morgan has purchased the Lewis Sayre Burchard collection of Norman French romances, for which several universities and colleges of America have been negotiating.

BUTLER IS FREE

Millionaire Politician Acquitted by Jury

FULTON, Mo., Feb. 6.—Edward Butler of St. Louis, the millionaire politician who has been on trial on a charge of bribing members of the St. Louis house of delegates to secure the passage of a city lighting bill in 1899, was acquitted today by a jury in Judge Graves court. When the jury first came in today they reported that they were unable to agree.

"Is there any prospect of your reaching an early decision?" asked the court.

"I cannot say," replied Foreman Rosser, "we are still considering the case."

Judge Gray thereupon requested the jury to retire. Later they reported their verdict.

AUTOMOBILE RUN

LARGEST AND LONGEST EVER HELD HERE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Plans are being made for the largest and longest automobile endurance run ever held in this country. In connection with the endurance run itself, it is also hoped to hold a series of club runs, all to have St. Louis for their goal. If proper arrangements can be made, the race track at St. Louis may be secured for a week or more at the close of the run and races and exhibition runs will be held.

Those who have been discussing the subject are inclined to believe that sometime in June, probably from the middle to the end of the month would be the most acceptable time for the run. It is proposed that the main event, the endurance run, shall start from this city and from one week to ten days will be given to reach St. Louis.

ON SHORT TIME

COTTON MILLS IN CHICOPEE WILL BE RUN.

CHICOPEE, Mass., Feb. 6—The Dwight Manufacturing company today shut down cotton mills No. 1, 2, 3 and 4 here and hereafter these mills will be inoperation five days each week until the conditions of the market permit a greater manufacture of cloth. As yet the Chicopee Manufacturing company at the Falls has done nothing in the way of shortening the hours per week, although such action would not be unexpected, as cotton mills in this part of the state are finding it necessary to curtail their output.

DANGER OF FLOOD

IS INCREASED BY THE STEADY THAWS.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 6—The steady thaw which began last night is hourly increasing the danger of a flood. The Susquehanna river here and for 30 miles above is covered with thick ice frozen solid from bank to bank. No perceptible rise has yet been observed, but there is such a great depth of snow on the hills that when it begins to melt the creeks will be swollen and a large quantity of water will pour into the river. Residents along the banks are preparing to move and the railroads have increased their force of track walkers.

THE STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6—The stock market opened easy. Amalgamated Copper, 46; Atchison, 67 7-8 and 68; Baltimore & Ohio, 81 1-2; Brooklyn Transit, 40; Canadian Pacific, 116 1-2; Erie, 26 1-8; do first pfd., 64 3-4; Louisville, 104; Manhattan, 141 3-4; Missouri Pacific, 90 5-8; New York Central, 117 3-4; Norfolk & Western, 50; Ontario & Western, 21 1-2; Penna., 116 1-2; Reading, 43; Rock Island, 22 5-8; Sugar, 124 1-8; St. Paul, 141 3-8; Southern Pacific, 47 7-8; Southern Ry., 21 1-4; Texas Pacific, 24; Union Pacific, 78 5-8; U. S. Steel, 10 3-4; do pfd., 54 3-4; Wabash pfd., 25 3-4.

COLDEST DAY YET.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., Feb. 6—With the mercury 50 degrees below zero, today was without exception the coldest known in many years. The mercury was reported as frozen for hours in several places in this vicinity. The weather was hazy and there was no wind.

APPOINTED A SENATOR.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—Privy Councillor Zwenger has been relieved of the portfolio of the ministry of public instruction at his own request, owing to ill health, and has been appointed a senator.

GAS CO. HEARING

At Tuesday's Meeting of of Aldermen

The board of aldermen will meet on Tuesday evening next and unless a special meeting of the lower branch is called by the mayor between now and then there will be no meeting of the co mon council on that evening. The upper branch will give a hearing on the petition of the Chelmsford Gaslight company to lay pipes, etc., in the streets of Lowell, offering to pay the city $25,000 for the franchise.

LARGELY ATTENDED

FUNERAL OF THE LATE GEORGE A. PARKHURST.

The funeral of George A. Parkhurst took place from his late home in Chelmsford this afternoon and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. Present at the services were representatives of the G. A. R. of this city, and also a delegation from Chelmsford lodge, I. O. O. F. Services were held at the house at 1.30 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Shurtleff and at two o'clock the public service was held at the Unitarian church in that town, Rev. Mr. Shurtleff officiating. During the service there was appropriate singing by a choir which was augmented for the occasion. The interment was in Forefathers' cemetery in Chelmsford.

AN ELECTRONOMETER

NEW INSTRUMENT INVENTED BY RESEARCH WORKERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—The capillary electronometer, a new instrument, delicate enough to register the minute discharges of electricity in nerves and muscles has been invented by research workers in the physiology laboratory at the University of Chicago. The invention will greatly aid the cure of lockjaw they hope, and be of great use in nervous diseases.

All the action is chemical and electrical, the inventors believe and by the action of the electrical discharge from a moving muscle of the mercury in the tube the amount of energy expended may be gauged.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Money on call closed nominal, no loans today. Prime mercantile paper 4¾ @ 5¼ per cent.; sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers bills at 485.55 @ 485.60 for demand and at 482.00 @ 483 for 60 days; posted rates 483½ and 486 @ ¼; commercial bills 482 @ ¼.

Bar silver 55½. Mexican dollars 43, government bonds, steady, railroad bonds easy.

Exchanges $194,011,148; balances $9,404,105.

For the week: Exchanges $1,251,263,868; balances $60,192,591.

Total clearings of all the bank clearing houses throughout the United States for the week ending today were $2,164,028,441, a decrease of 10.5 per cent. compared with the corresponding period last year.

CLEARING HOUSE BANKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans increase $4,298,700; deposits increase $3,212,700; circulation decrease $11,219,600; legal tenders decrease $2,972,500; specie increase $459,400; reserve decrease $2,483,100; reserve required increase $803,175; surplus $21,842,775; decrease $3,386,275; ex-United States deposits $31,066,100; decrease $8,287,700.

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THE SUN EXTRA

6 O'CLOCK

JUDGE EMMONS

Says He Will Stop Prize Fighting

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—"We shall not change our policy in the least regarding the prize fights, the fighters and the promoters of the illegal sport," said Judge Emmons, of the Boston police board today, when he was told that the grand jury had reported "no bill" in the cases of Carter and Choynski, the boxers who were arrested at the Criterion club January 19.

"We are going to put a stop to the fighting in this city," he continued, "and it matters not to us what the grand jury reports in this case. We are going to enforce the laws strictly. Every time there is an attempt to run a fight we shall arrest the fighters, the promoters and all persons who may be in any degree implicated with the law-breaking offence.

STEAMSHIP DAKOTA

WAS SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED AT GROTON.

GROTON, Conn., Feb. 6.—Steamship Dakota, for the great Northern Steamship Co., of Seattle, Wash., was launched at 1.01 o'clock today from the yards of the Eastern Shipbuilding Co., amid a din of salutes from whistles of vessels, factories and locomotives, and the cheers of fully 5000 spectators in the builders yards. The launching was in bright sunshine and a complete success.

Miss Mary Flemington of Ellendale, N. D., was sponsor and as the great craft began to slip away from the christening stand she broke a bottle of champagne on the prow, saying "I christen thee, Dakota." In the christening stand were Governor Abram Chamberlain, President James J. Hill, of the Great Northern Steamship Co., and many members of the boards of trade of Minneapolis and St. Paul with ladies.

The Dakota, like her sister ship, the Minnesota, which was launched at the Eastern Shipbuilding Co.'s yard in April, 1903, is of the largest type of cargo and passenger vessel built in the United States. They are 630 feet over all, 73 feet and 6 inches breadth, 56 feet moulded depth and 33 ft. draught. The gross tonnage is 22,000. Triple expansion engines of 11,000 horse power driving twin screws are expected to develop an average speed of 14 knots an hour.

The contracts for the Dakota and the Minnesota were awarded early in 1900 to the Eastern Shipbuilding company. In June of that year work was commenced on permanent ways. The keels were laid down in September. The vessels were designed by William A. Fairburn, the marine architect of the shipbuilding company, embracing the ideas of James Hill, president of the Great Northern Railway Co. It is estimated that the Minnesota will be in condition for her sea trial next July and the Dakota in September.

In the hull and decks of each vessel, 12,000 tons of steel shapes and plates and 375 tons of rivets were used. The contract for each ship was $2,500,000.

Superintendent Moffatt was elected a director of the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Union at its annual meeting in Boston, Thursday night.

HANNA IS WEAKER

But Doctor Still Holds Out Hope

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6—Senator Hanna is in an extremely weak condition today, but the attending physician, Dr. Rixey, continues to view the outcome with confidence. He had a comfortable night, but the fever gained a little ground and was higher this morning. There was no consultation, but Dr. Rixey made his regular call early today. At 10 o'clock the following bulletin was issued by Dr. Rixey:

"Senator Hanna rested well. Temperature 101, pulse 82."

This brief announcement was all that was given out. A rise of one degree from 24 hours ago was shown in the temperature, but there was a decrease of 1 2-5 degrees from the temperature as taken at 8 o'clock last night. It was said there was nothing unusual in these fluctuations, as the temperature in such cases generally falls one or two degrees in the morning and the higher temperature for the 24 hours is not viewed with any alarm. It shows that the minimum for the day is rising higher, which will be the case until the climax is reached. When the crucial point will be passed is problematical, as it is not known positively when or where the typhoid was acquired. Senator Hanna was first taken ill three weeks ago today and the physicians figure that if he has had the fever ever since then the crucial point should be reached tomorrow. This, however, is largely guess work in view of the uncertainty of the origin of the disease. The senator's stomach is in better condition today and he is taking nourishment much more satisfactorily than heretofore. Many inquiries are being received regarding the senator's condition and many callers are sending cards of sympathy.

Dr. Rixey has arranged to make four visits a day, the hours beside the early morning visit being noon, 4 and 8 o'clock in the evening. This will enable the keeping of a regular chart of the patient's temperature, showing the condition at identical hours during the day while the fever is running its course.

NOT SKILLED

MEN WHO TOOK PLACES OF STRIKERS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Officials of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad claimed today that they had all the men they could work to advantage to take the places of the striking freight handlers at piers 45 and 50, but they admitted that the new men were unskilled at the work. Both piers were open for the receipt of freight. Groups of strikers loitered about the vicinity of the piers but there was little disorder. Steve Quarry, one of the strikers, was arraigned in police court today charged with assaulting last night a police officer stationed at the pier to maintain order. He was held in $1000 bail for trial.

GLOBE BANK AFFAIRS.

BOSTON, Feb. 6—Within 60 days the affairs of the defunct Globe National bank will have been all arranged and the returns to the stockholders will be from $15 to $17 a share, according to an estimate made today by Daniel G. Wing, former receiver and now liquidating agent of the institution.

Mr. Wing has sold out the bank's holdings of the preferred stock of John P. Squire & Co. and the remainder of the assets will be offered for sale by auction next Saturday. The bank held stock of the Squire concern representing a par value of $170,000.

HAD A DAGGER

Woman Was in Fear of Husband

William Charette pleaded not guilty to a complaint charging him with non-support of his wife. She said he had not contributed to her support for several months.

"Are you afraid of your husband?" asked counsel for the defence.

"Indeed I am, and I can prove it," she said.

"He sleeps with a dagger under his head and he has threatened several times to kill me."

Charette said he had not given his wife any money of late because she had not asked him for it. He said he had not been earning much money of late.

Charette said he never slept with his dagger under his head and in reply to questions by counsel for the government he admitted that he was tired and sick of his wife. He said she was a drinking woman. He said it was the third time he had been arrested in this city for non-support and he also admitted that he was arrested on a like complaint in Canada. He has a boy six-years old that he has not seen for three years. Charette was placed on probation for six months on condition that he shall pay $3 a week toward the support of his wife.

Lawrence Mellen, for drunkenness, was sentenced to four months in the workhouse and three first offenders were fined $2 each and one was released.

FATALLY WOUNDED

CAR CONDUCTOR HELD UP BY TWO ROBBERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6—Two unidentified robbers shot and fatally wounded George Beckler, a conductor on the Western avenue electric line early today when he resisted their attempts to rob him. The attempted robbery occurred at the northern terminus of the line. The robbers escaped.

FUNERALS

HALL—The funeral of the late Edward W. Hall took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from his late home, 156 Howard street, and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased including a number of people from out of town. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church in Gorham street, where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at nine o'clock by Rev. W. George Mullin. The choir, under the direction of Mr. John Warburton sang the Gregorian mass and at the offertory the "Pie Jesu" was sung by Miss Mollie G. Ivers. At the conclusion of the service "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" was sung by Miss Ivers.

There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence, the following being the most prominent: Pillow, bearing the inscription "Son," from the parents of the deceased; wreath and sickle on base, inscribed "Brother," from Walter H. and James R., Jr.; cross on base, inscribed "Brother," Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mansur; crescent, Washburn family; crescent, Mamie Washburn; spray of pinks with ribbon, Ryan family.

The bearers were Messrs. Frank and Joseph Suprenant, Arthur Forten, Patrick H. Shea, Phillip Smith and Edward Washburn. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Chas. H. Molloy.

HAMMOND—The funeral of the late Rose E. Hammond took place this afternoon at two o'clock from the home of her parents, 1 rear of 267 Worthen street, and the interment was in the Catholic cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Charles H. Molloy.

VONROE—The funeral of Ellen Vonroe took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker C. H. Molloy and the interment was in the Edson cemetery.

ROCHETTE—Little Marie Antoinette Rochette, daughter of Dr. L. V. and Mrs. L. V. Rochette, died yesterday at her parents' residence, 734 Merrimack street, aged 1 year 6 months. The little one had been ill but nine days of pneumonia. Funeral services were held at St. Jean Baptiste church this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock and the interment was in St. Joseph's cemetery.

BILL IN EQUITY

BROUGHT BY SUPREME LODGE, A. O. U. W.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—The supreme lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen today brought a bill in equity in the United States circuit court to have the grand lodge, A. O. U. W. of Massachusetts and its officers ordered to continue making contributions to the guaranty fund of the supreme lodge as it has been doing for several years, and to restrain them from taking any steps looking to a discontinuance of such payments after Jan. 1 last. At a vote passed at a special session of the grand lodge Nov. 17 last, this discontinuance was ordered.

The supreme lodge claims that the vote of the special session is null and void and asks the court to so declare it.

It further asks that the grand lodge be adjudged to act as the trustee or agent for the trustees of the supreme lodge in making beneficial tracts for members, in establishing subordinate lodges and in using and exercising its franchises and powers and that it be required to continue to exercise such agency.

The entire order of workmen has about 200,000 members while the membership of the Massachusetts jurisdiction which also comprises New Hampshire and Vermont, is about 40,000.

GEORGE SHEPPARD DEAD.

BETHEL, Conn., Feb. 6.—George A. Sheppard, a manufacturer of butters' supplies and widely known to the trade, died today of heart failure, following an operation for appendicitis. He was 65 years of age.

LOCAL HEARINGS

Will be Given by Legislative Committee

ON BILLS REGARDING POLICE COMMISSION

Date of Hearings Not Yet Fixed

It is quite probable that the committee on cities of the legislature of which Senator McKinley and Representative Westall are members, will give hearings in this city on the bills to have the police commissioners elected by the people and to have them appointed by the governor, both of which are now before the committee. It is the opinion of the committee, that a better expression of public opinion can be obtained by having the hearings in this city than if they were held at the state house.

The date of the hearings has not been fixed.

BANK REPORTS

LARGE INCREASE IN THE RESERVE FUNDS.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 6—The increase of the reserve funds set apart the past year by savings banks, loan and building associations and trust companies in Maine is unprecedented in the history of these institutions, according to the annual report of State Bank Examiner Fremont E. Timberlake, submitted today. The aggregate of these funds now is $4,531,871, while last year it was but $378,876.

There are 51 savings banks with total assets of $80,588,169; 23 trust and banking companies with assets of $19,914,010, and 36 loan and building associations with assets of $2,932,206. The total assets increased $5,649,002, an excess of $591,495 over the previous year's increase.

The amount of deposits in savings banks and trust companies and of the accumulated capital in loan and building associations is $32,516,072, a gain of $3,833,403.

The increase of total assets of loan and building associations has been $77,079, while last year there was a decrease of $10,704. There has been a gain of 189 in the number of shareholders, 2303 in the number of shares outstanding and 178 in the number of loans carried. The average rate of dividends has decreased from 5.83 last year to 5.36.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING HELD LAST NIGHT.

The United Irish league held a special meeting last night in Benevolent hall in Palmer street and considered several matters of importance, among them being a plan for a grand concert in aid of the building fund for St. Patrick's church, and a box party to be held before Lent.

The league will meet in the same hall tomorrow night and will make it their temporary quarters until a permanent hall can be obtained.

DEATHS

COLBY—Ida Ruth Colby, daughter of William H. and Annie G. Colby, died at her home, 52 Sycamore street, last evening, aged 12 years, 1 month and 10 days. Death was due to pneumonia, with an illness of less than a week. She was a pupil of Miss Green's room in the Moody school.

GAHAN—Frank H. Gahan, aged 41 years, died yesterday at St. John's hospital. He was a well known employe of the Lowell machine shop.

LEAVITT—Michael Leavitt, aged 1 year and six months, son of Michael and Hannah Leavitt, died last evening at the residence of his parents, No. 3 rear of 236 Suffolk street.

VEZINA—The first death in St. Louis parish occurred yesterday afternoon, when Lillian Vezina, aged two months, daughter of Leonidas and Cordelia, passed away at the home of her parents, 19 Exeter street.

SWEETSIR—Mrs. Betsie W. Sweetsir, aged 93 years, died yesterday at her home, 32 Rock street. She is survived by one son, Charles H.

TRAINS WERE LATE.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Long distance trains bound for Boston arrived at this city today from two or three hours late on account of the severe storm in the west. The post office authorities announced that mails were subject to delay.

BAD BLOOD

"I had trouble with my bowels which made my blood impure. My face was covered with pimples which no external remedy could remove. I tried your Cascarets and great was my joy when the pimples disappeared after a month's steady use. I have recommended them to all my friends and quite a few have found relief."
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WAR EXPECTED

(Continued.)

RUSSIA'S REPLY

DOES NOT MEET JAPAN'S EXPRESSED WISHES.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Indications point to the fact that information received at the Japanese legation here from Tokio shows that Russia's reply, in the estimation of the legation, decidedly does not meet Japan's wishes.

The general tension in diplomatic quarters here today is unquestionably increased.

With reference to the reiterated statement from Russian sources that Russia could not agree to a Japanese fortification of Southern Korea, as it would endanger the neutrality of the straits of Korea, the Japanese legation said this afternoon that Japan had already recognized the reasonableness of this contention on the part of Russia and had readily agreed that the passages of the straits of Korea should be perfectly free. Japan, however, refused to agree to the neutral zone suggestion because she believed it would become virtually a Russian sphere of influence in view of her large concessions on the Yalu river. Moreover if Japan had granted this demand it would have been in opposition to Japan's contention that the independence and integrity of Korea must be recognized.

JAPANESE MINISTER

GETTING READY TO LEAVE ST. PETERSBURG.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, is making preliminary preparations for his departure from St. Petersburg.

Russia is standing on the tiptoe of expectancy and apprehension. Her response having now reached Tokio word therefrom is awaited with anxiety.

There are grave fears that it will mean the parting of the ways for Russia and Japan. The feeling that Japan will stand firmly on her former demands against whatever concessions Russia can offer consistent with the maintenance of her pride is becoming a conviction here. An official of the foreign office said:

"There is no reason why the situation should be considered changed, either for the better or worse. So far as the actual state of the negotiations is concerned matters should be improved by the Russian answer which was framed in the most conciliatory spirit. Nevertheless, there is serious doubts as to the course the Japanese government will pursue. Russia has done her utmost; but the other side must yield if a common ground is to be found. The Japanese people and press have been kept in a continual state of excitement by false reports, invented we believe to create distrust of our purposes and pacific intentions. How far the Japanese authorities can withstand the popular tide is a question."

In sharp contrast with this calm and even hopeful view is the gloom which prevails at the Japanese legation and British embassy, where no efforts are made to disguise the feeling of profound disquiet, over the outlook.

Minister Kurino and Sir Charles Scott, the British ambassador to Russia, have been in close conference evidently determining on the action to be taken in case of a rupture of the negotiations, which, it is believed, will be immediately followed by the breaking off of diplomatic relations. In this event M. Kurino will ask for his passports and will leave St. Petersburg at once. The minister has already anticipated such a contingency and is making arrangements to vacate the legation building. Under the terms of the lease, this may be given up.

It is even reported today on apparently good authority that M. Kurino has ordered a special car to be in readiness at the Warsaw station to take him to Germany. The current affairs of the Japanese legation will be turned over to the British embassy if the worst happens.

The absence of M. Kurino from the theatricals given at the winter palace last night which were attended by all the other ministers and by the ambassadors was generally remarked. It was the first court function he had missed this season.

The bourse, whose weakness has been more pronounced since the reply of Russia was despatched to Viceroy Alexieff Thursday, as announced by The Associated Press, is demoralized today although imperial fours were unchanged.

JAPANESE MINISTER

LEARNS OF RECEIPT OF RUSSIAN REPLY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Mr. Tahahiri, the Japanese minister, has not been informed by his government of the receipt of the Russian reply but he has received advices from Tokio which show the feeling there to be one of great desperation at the delay in the receipt of the Russian reply for which no explanation has been given. The minister said today that he expected to call at the state department later in the day for a conference with the acting secretary of state.

He described the situation as being very grave. He was not surprised to hear that Mr. Kurino, the Japanese minister, was preparing to depart from the Russian capital. In view of the activity of the Russian military forces the Japanese believe that Russia is bent on war. Special emphasis is placed by Japanese officials upon the forwarding of the reply to Admiral Alexieff, head of the war party, for final revision. Another strong indication of war, in the opinion of the Japanese, is the warning given by the Russian officials at Vladivostok to the Japanese commercial agent that a state of siege might be expected at any time.

JAPANESE FAMILIES

FLEE FROM VLADIVOSTOK, LEAVING PROPERTY BEHIND.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—A despatch received here from Vladivostok today says the hasty flight of the Japanese residents there is attributed to secret orders from the Japanese government. Neither persuasion nor promises of protection by the authorities had any effect. The Japanese commercial agent aided in the exodus. During the course of the flight yesterday the store-keepers sacrificed stocks valued at several hundred thousand roubles for five to ten kopecks on the rouble.

It is added that there is general irritation at Vladivostok owing to entire lack of news, even in official quarters.

ABSENCE OF NEWS

ENRAGES THE PEOPLE AT VLADIVOSTOK.

VLADIVOSTOK, Feb. 6.—Even the authorities here apparently are without information in regard to the general situation. They receive casual instructions from which it is apparent that preparations are on the increase to repel a hostile attack; but, no comprehensive steps have been taken, nor has there been any special allotment of funds without which many things are impossible. The movement of troops forward to Korea has been stopped.

The public is greatly depressed by the uncertainty and banking and mercantile operations are at a standstill.

If Vladivostok is blockaded the offices of the Ussuri railroad and the law courts will be transferred to Khabarovsk, and the administrative offices to Nikolsk-Ussuri. The Oriental institute and other educational establishments will be closed.

It is rumored that all strangers whether Russian or foreign will be required to leave the precincts of the fortifications and the native residents will be required to provide quarters for 8000 soldiers, with horses, with orders to mobilize the reserves being expected hourly.

The Vostochiny Vlestnik hopes there will be no war. The other papers are silent.

WAR SITUATION

HOSTILITIES EXPECTED TO BREAK OUT AT ANY TIME.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—The prospect of a great war breaking out in the far east next week, which is acknowledged even in hitherto most pacific quarters, has been brought appreciably nearer by the developments of the last day or two. That a Russo-Japanese conflict will be followed by a Balkan outbreak, which in time is liable to develop into a widespread European conflagration, is also considered as extremely probable and increases the depression pervading all political and commercial circles in England and on the continent.

The news from St. Petersburg of the preparations of M. Kurino, the Japanese minister, for departure, is not yet known in London, but, official circles, the press and the public have already practically unanimously decided that nothing can avert war, and, probably the termination of the long delay and suspense, when the first gun is fired will occasion a sense of relief and possibly business improvement. Already Tokio despatches announce that relief is felt there at the fact that all doubts regarding the outcome of the negotiations have practically been set at rest.

Prices on the stock exchange fell again this morning, consols opening ⅝ lower, Japanese 1¾ lower and Russians one point lower. Later consols improved 1-16.

The British post office emphasizes the critical state of the situation by announcing that code telegrams cannot be accepted for any place in Japanese, thus confirming the New York announcements to the same effect.

There is reason to believe that the substance of the last Russian reply has already been communicated to the Japanese legation here and thence to the foreign office. One long and several shorter cable messages from Tokio have recently been received by Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister. There was unusual activity at the legation this morning and long messages were sent to various points.

TO BREAK RELATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Minister Griscom at Tokio cables the state department under date of yesterday that in diplomatic circles the feeling is that relations between Tokio and St. Petersburg may be broken off at any time. He adds that the feeling obtains in Japan that more than a reasonable period has elapsed since the sending of Japan's note and that the Japanese are impatient for an answer.

UP TO JAPAN

TO MAKE THE NEXT MOVE.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—A despatch to Reuters Telegram Co. from St. Petersburg, says:

"An authoritative statement from a Russian source regarding the contents of the Russian reply is as follows:

"'If the Japanese government is animated by the same pacific sentiments as the Russian government there is reason to hope that it will give Russia's fresh proposals such favorable reception as to permit mutual accord being finally reached. Baron De Rosen has been furnished with all the necessary instructions for a fresh phase of the negotiations."

CALLED OFF

SUIT FOR RECOVERY OF ARCHITECTS FEES WITHDRAWN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The suit of Henry F. Hornbastel to recover from the Lafayette memorial commission architects fees for pedestal designs for the Lafayette monument now being erected in Paris as a gift from the school children of the United States, was today discontinued in the supreme court of the county of New York.

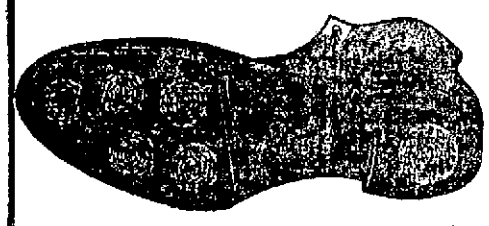
The suit was remarkable for the notable array of defendants, members of the commission, including Justice William R. Day of the United States supreme court, Senator William B. Allison of Iowa, Edward Everett Hale, William T. Harris, commissioner of education of the United States, Archbishop Ireland, John M. Mackey, Melville E. Stone, Frank Thompson, late president of the Pennsylvania railroad; Charles A. Collier, former mayor of Atlanta; Charles G. Dawes, former comptroller of the currency of the United States, Ferdinand W. Peck, commissioner general of the Paris exposition, Alexander H. Revell, A. P. Potter and Robert J. Thompson, secretary of the commission.

ENGINES DAMAGED

COLLISION OF DELAWARE & HUDSON ROAD.

PLATTSBURG, N. Y., Feb. 6—Two passenger trains of the Delaware & Hudson railroad met in a head-on collision today in this city. Both engines were badly damaged and the express cars of the northbound train were crushed and raised from the trucks.

Shod for Winter



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5 on 1 lb. 15c. Butterine.
10 on 1 can best 12c. Tomatoes.
10 on 1 bottle of 10c. Ellis ng.
10 on 1 package of 15c. Force.
10 on 1 package of 14c. Cero Fruto.
5 on 1 package of 10c. Presto.
5 on 1 can 10c. Tri-Color Soup.

On National, Dark Blue, and Red, White and Blue.
50 on 1 lb. 50c. Baking Powder.
30 on 1 lb. 50c. Tea.
10 on 1 lb. 30c. Coffee.
5 on 1 lb. 25c. Butterine.
5 on 1 package of 15c. Force.
5 on 1 package of 14c. Cero Fruto
3 on 1 package of 10c. Presto.

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NIGHT EDITION

6 O'CLOCK

GAS EXPLOSION

Killed One Man and Fatally Injured Others

SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 6—Evan Gabriel, fire boss at the Storrs shaft of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad company, was instantly killed and James and Edward Webber, brothers, and William Jones were fatally injured by an explosion of gas today. There was a squeeze in the Diamond vein some time ago and it was known that there was gas in the Storrs shaft. Early today Gabriel went into the mine and satisfied himself that conditions were dangerous. Later when the men came to work he warned them not to enter. Gabriel again entered the mine, carrying a safety lamp.

A few minutes later Jones and the Webbers followed, Jones carrying a naked lamp. They kept some distance behind Gabriel and soon arrived at the door which kept the gas from flooding other portions of the mine. In order to shelter themselves from the cold Jones and the Webbers passed inside the safety door. Jones was in advance and his lamp ignited the gas causing a terrific explosion. Gabriel's body was found several hundred yards distant twisted around a mine prop where it had been hurled with terrific force. The volume of gas where Jones and the Webbers were was not so great and they escaped instant death. Their bodies, however, are horribly mangled and burned.

"DIAMOND CHARLEY"

IS LOOKED UPON AS A QUEER PRISONER.

TAUNTON, Feb. 6—"Diamond Charley" Bostwick, the Boston ex-convict, smiling and unruffled, to all appearances the same Beau Brummel that walked the streets at Taunton not very many months ago aglow with $90 suits and borrowed diamonds, reached town yesterday morning a prisoner, charged, in connection with Mrs. May Clark, with attempting to extort money from and blackmail former acquaintances among the swell set—Mrs. Madeleine Brubrook, daughter of Colonel Mason, and wife of Carleton Brubrook; Maurice Mason, her brother, and a woman prominent in society here, whose name may be brought into the case if it ever comes to trial.

But if Diamond Charley Bostwick, who, Mrs. Clark avers, was won away from her by Mrs. Brubrook, and for which she sues that lady for $25,000, were really a prisoner, there were few in Taunton who saw fetters or handcuffs. On the contrary, Bostwick and Deputy Sheriff Lincoln were on the very best of terms, an understanding, by the way, that was helped on during the later hours by frequent visits to the hotel cafe and the utter absence of anything that resembled the usual formalities of the law in such cases.

In fact, the entire day from the time that Bostwick and the deputy first made their appearance at the City hall until well along in the evening, when the expected bondsman was absent and not accounted for, was nothing more or less than a regular Bostwick levee.

Bostwick's former friends took the opportunity to call and see him; there were frequent conferences between sheriffs and prisoner; the attorney, David O'Connell, was on hand continually to see that Bostwick made no damaging admissions and a formidable array of waiters hurried hither and thither to see that the distinguished prisoner and guest wanted for nothing.

SUPREME COURT

ASKED TO TAKE A HAND IN COMPOSITORS' STRIKE.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—The existing strike in this city of union compositors led today to the filing of a bill in the supreme court of Massachusetts asking that the continuance of the strike be restrained until the dispute between the printers and the employes has been submitted to the local conference committee for arbitration. The bill was filed by the United Typothetae of America, against the International Printing Pressmen Assistants' union, the International Typographical union and local branches of both of these organizations. The plaintiffs contend that arbitration is necessary under an agreement entered into between them and the employes in July, 1902. The case was assigned for a hearing next Wednesday.

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BOARD OF HEALTH

Has Not Asked City Solicitor's Opinion

AS TO STANDING OF MEMBERS

Whose Terms of Office Have Expired

City Solicitor Hogan was asked by The Sun reporter today if he had looked into the matter of the status of the members of the board of health who are now holding over, much controversy having arisen as to whether the two members whose terms have expired can hold over until their successors have been appointed and confirmed or go out of office at the expiration of their terms of office. Mr. Hogan said in reply: "I have not been asked by any of the interested parties to give an opinion on that matter as yet and hence I have not considered it."

The accounts committee has instructed Clerk Dowling to write the city solicitor for his opinion in regard to the right of business men who have partners in the city council to do business with the city but as the request had not been received up to this noon Mr. Hogan was not prepared to discuss the subject officially.

City Solicitor Qua gave several verbal opinions to the different accounts committees during his tenure of office, one of which is said to have been that a business man who is the member of a firm having a member in the city council or holding a city position may do business with the city on his own responsibility as an individual and that it must be shown that the member of the firm who is a member of the city council or a city official received a portion of the profits of said transaction before any violation of the law can be shown.

MORTALITY OF LOWELL

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 6, 1904.

Population 104,402, total deaths 26, deaths under five 8, infectious diseases 0, acute lung diseases 6.

Death rate: 12.95 against 12.24 and 15.44 for previous two weeks.

Infectious diseases reported: Typhoid fever 3, scarlet fever 1, diphtheria 3, membraneous croup 1, measles 2.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

CAPTAIN GRINDAL

IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DROWNED.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Capt. Joe Grindal of East Boston, who is captain of the merchandise lighter Sipho, has been missing since Thursday night. His lighter was strapped alongside the steamer Iberian at the New York, New Haven & Hartford docks in South Boston at the time the captain was first missed.

A diligent search was made for his body, but it could not be found. His cap, however, was found floating in the icy water between the steamer and the lighter. The supposition is that in ascending the ladder he fell between the two crafts, and, having struck his head, became unconscious and was unable to give any alarm.

It is feared that he has been drowned. He has been connected with the Boston Towboat company for over 20 years, was over 65 years of age, and leaves a widow and family in East Boston.

The harbor police were notified and a diligent search was made for the body.

SLED RECORD

IS HELD BY A WALTHAM WOMAN.

WALTHAM, Feb. 6—Every evening the Prospect hill coast is crowded with coasting parties, but it remained for Miss Mildred Gordon to break the record and drive her double runner the longest distance.

Miss Gordon is an expert at steering. With seven on the sled the start was made from the junction of Lawrence and Plympton streets, and by the most skillful managing the party was safely taken to Lincoln street, where a turn was made and thence on past the city dumps, the distance being the longest yet made. In the party were several Harvard students.

After the coast Miss Gordon and the Misses Mabel and Agnes Lyons entertained at their homes and lunch was served.

Several attempts have since been made to break the record, but so far without success.

ATTENDED FUNERAL

CITY AND TOWN CLERKS' ASSOCIATION AT PARKHURST OBSEQUIES.

City Clerk Dadman attended the funeral of the late George A. Parkhurst, town clerk of Chelmsford Centre, this afternoon, as one of the representatives of the Middlesex County Association of City and Town Clerks, of which the deceased was an esteemed member.

WERE MARRIED

BUT CEREMONY HAD BEEN POSTPONED TWO MONTHS.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Feb. 6.—Announcement was made today of the marriage of Horace Dewitt Peck of Syracuse and Miss Helen W. Wheeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Wheeler of this city, by Rev. John Brown of Christ Episcopal church last night. The marriage of the couple was postponed two months ago due to a sudden business reverse of the intended groom. Bridal gifts were returned to the senders. The wedding last night was not announced beforehand.

CURFEW LAW

FOR TARDY POLICEMEN IN SOMERVILLE.

Chief of Police M. C. Parkhurst of Somerville has instituted a new and original punishment to the members of the force who do duty on the last half and who fail to appear in time for roll call. Heretofore the tardy members have gone unpunished, only the fact that they were late so many minutes being recorded on the sheet.

The chief has had four beds set up in the rooms on the second floor of the police building and here the tardy policemen will be put to bed on the night following their late arrival and when they are expected to do duty the last half.

Two patrolmen have already done their stunt. The late patrolman will have to report at the station house at 9 o'clock and the lieutenant in charge will see that they are in bed at 9.30.

HANGED HIMSELF

MAN COMMITTED SUICIDE ON AN OCEAN LINER.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—On the last voyage out from this port the Leyland line steamer Cestrian was the scene of a tragic affair. A Hungarian, who shipped as a cattleman, under the name of Steve Cassaro, was found hanging by the neck to a pipe on the cattle deck, he having used the head rope of one of the bullocks for the purpose of committing suicide.

Captain Thomas of the vessel and Chief Officer McNeil were informed of the tragic affair and the body was searched. In one of the stockings $12 was found, but there were no letters or other means of identification.

All that is known of the unfortunate is the name of Steve Cassaro, that his age was about 32 years, and that he came from New York.

On the arrival of the vessel at Liverpool the money was turned over to the board of trade.

At midnight of the day on which the ghastly object was found the body was prepared for burial, being placed in a sack heavily weighted, and consigned to the deep.

LOVER ACCUSED

WOMAN CHARGED HIM WITH LARCENY.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—Although reported to have once accepted Robert D. Nixon as her future husband, Miss Carrie Duchemin of 210 Northampton street was complainant in a larceny charge against him yesterday. Chance of matrimonial proceedings are now said to be remote.

Last September Nixon vanished from the lodging house of Miss Duchemin, and she declares that with him went $90 in cash and an $85 watch.

When the court had refused to accept a nol pros plea from Miss Duchemin's attorney, the defendant pleaded not guilty and was held in $500 for the superior court.

"After what has occurred my thoughts do not turn to marriage," said Miss Duchemin to a reporter last night.

"I have not conversed with Nixon since he disappeared in September, and if a meeting does take place it will be merely for the purpose of effecting a settlement. Friends of the man have expressed a willingness to make restitution and that is all I desire.

"It is not my intention to invoke the law's penalty. Nothing could be gained by such a course.

"Even though we had agreed to marry, it is no one's business but our own.

"I am a home body, not acquainted with the ways of the world, and too much inclined to place trust in a person without proper investigation. My experience has been a severe one, but it has taugh me a lesson. In the future I shall be more wary."

Miss Duchemin is 35 years of age, of pleasing personality, and is reputed to be possessed of considerable means.

Her former lodger is about the same age and comes of a prominent New Brunswick family. At one time he was connected with the Boston office of a steamship company.

BOUND FOR PHRILIPPINES.

ALGIERS, Algeria, Feb. 6.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Buffalo and flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers bound for the Philippine islands will sail from here for Naples at noon tomorrow.

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U. S. REVENUE

Returns show increased sales on the

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during 1903 nearly 600,000 cigars. 20 years' continuous increase in sales shows that quality counts. R. G. SULLIVAN, Mfr., Manchester, N. H.

FULL REPARATION

For the Assassination of Johnson

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6—Send full particulars about assassination of "Johnson" is the substance of a cablegram which Sec. Moody today despatched Commander Lewis Heilner, commanding the gunboat Yankee at Santo Domingo City. When the details of the assassination have arrived, the secretary will then be in a position to give specific instructions as to the course to be followed.

Deliberation, it can be stated, will be observed in the handling of the Dominican situation. If the press despatches are confirmed it can be stated that the naval commanders will be instructed to demand and obtain the fullest reparation. Nor will they stop with this. Before the American warships leave Dominican waters the inhabitants will have been made to know that the Washington government's patience has been exhausted and that the menacing of American life and property must cease or the people of the island will stand the consequences.

What additional warships shall go to San Domingo will be decided when the official detailed report has arrived.

JEWELRY HIDDEN

PACKED BETWEEN LEAVES OF RAILWAY GUIDE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Jewelry valued at $2000, which was concealed in a cunningly constructed hiding place in a railway guide sent by mail from Germany to an address in Denver, was seized by customs officers here today.

The sending of railway guides through the mails from Germany to Denver aroused the curiosity of the deputy collector and he opened the package as he had the right to do. He found that a hole about an inch square and deep had been cut in the leaves of the middle of the book. Within this were carefully packed a turquoise ring and two set diamond pins.

DEMANDS FOR AID

HAVE BEEN UNUSUALLY LARGE THE PAST FEW WEEKS.

The demands upon the out-door relief office of the pauper department have been unusually large in number during the past few weeks and proportionately throughout the present winter season.

"Some one said we were going to have an open winter," said Sec. Courtney, "and we certainly had one, wide open above."

The department has been putting out its provision and fuel orders regularly and the shift of the wood yard from the city hospital to ambulance stable has facilitated matters for the drivers of the city teams greatly, as much time was lost in the long trip to the farm. When the city store is established this end of the department will do its business much more easily.

ELLIOT DANFORTH

SAYS HILL OR PARKER COULD WIN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Elliot Danforth, who managed Bryan's campaign in this state in 1896 and the state campaign of the following year, which resulted in the election of Judge Alton B. Parker as chief justice of the court of appeals, gave his views yesterday on the outlook of the presidential contest.

"It is clear to all politicians," he said, "that this is naturally a democratic year, and that the democrats will carry the nation if they nominate the right sort of a man on the right sort of a platform. They can be defeated only by unwise action on their own part.

"As to candidates, there are several available men. The general sentiment seems to be that New York should have the candidate for president. Either Judge Parker or David B. Hill would fill the bill. There is more talk about Judge Parker than any other New Yorker, because he has peculiar elements of strength.

"As to the platform, I think the St. Louis convention will adopt up-to-date issues and that all democrats will unite on them. The currency is not the great issue of the day now, as Mr. Bryan himself acknowledges. Why not let each of the former factions think as they please on issues which are no longer of paramount importance, and unite on principles on which they all agree? We must have up-to-date issues, issues which will appeal to the people at this particular time.

"The country is weary of the strenuous administration of Roosevelt. It is weary of the war-lord rule, and wants quiet and security. The democrats have their chance. It will be their own fault if they do not go in and win."

TWO MORE CASES

TRICHNOSIS HAS BROKEN OUT IN SPRINGFIELD.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 6—Two more cases of trichnosis were discovered today, making a total of seven in this city during the past week. The cases are confined to the boarders in an Italian lodging house where the proprietor has been using diseased pork purchased in Agawam. Two of the seven patients will die. In addition to the cases here it is believed two more will be located in Middefield, where two laborers who had eaten of the pork went to join a wood chopper's gang two weeks ago.

WALL STREET GOSSIP.

10.10 a. m.—The stock market opened active and easy today, but the declines were slight in response to the depression in foreign markets over the war outlook. Southern Pacific fell 3-4; Penna and Southern Railway pfd., 5-8 and Ice pfd., a point.

11 a. m.—Heavy selling of Pennsylvania at a decline of 1¾ caused losses of a point or more in sympathy in Baltimore & Ohio, Cleveland C. C., & St. Louis, Southern Ry. pfd., Sugar, Realty pfd., Tennessee Coal, Sloss-Sheffield Steel, Chicago Terminal and some others. Chicago and Eastern Illinois certificates dropped 4. Long Island 3, and Pressed Steel Car 2. United States Steel pfd., and Wabash pfd. resisted the decline, the former advancing ¾ but the continued weakness of Penna. kept the market unsettled.

It is more profitable to advertise honorably and fail in the attempt to get business, than to advertise dishonorably and succeed for a little while.

SPECIAL NOTICES

THE FOLLOWING SAYS: That you can get a doll carriage, a go-cart or a handsome doll with a pound of tea or two pounds of coffee at Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The two o'clock and five o'clock editions of The Sun are on sale every day at both newsstands in the Union station, Boston.

CARDS OF THANKS

CARD OF THANKS—The Lowell Firemen's Fund association at the monthly meeting held Feb. 5, instructed the directors to extend their thanks to all persons who so kindly furnished refreshments during the recent big fires, and for all other favors granted. Signed,

E. S. HOSMER, Pres.
CHARLES STACKPOLE, Sec.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 3, 1904. The Committee on Labor will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of the governor's address relating to the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration; also House bill No. 171, for extension of powers of State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, at room No. 249, State House, on Monday, Feb. 8, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Samuel Ross, Chairman. Thos. Donahue, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To Mary Ann McHugh, the next of kin and all other persons interested in Lillian McHugh of Lowell, in said county of Middlesex, minor.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said court by Hattie E. Gildee of Lowell, in the county of Middlesex, praying for the appointment of herself, or some other suitable person, as guardian, and for the custody of said minor.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate court to be held at Lowell, in said county of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1904, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why a guardian should not be appointed and have the custody of said minor as aforesaid.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof to the next of kin of said minor and others interested by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day at least before said court, or by delivering a copy thereof to the said Mary Ann McHugh at least seven days before said court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, first judge of said court, this first day of February, in the year one thousand nine hundred and four.

W. E. ROGERS, Assistant Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 4, 1904. The Committee on Public Service will give a hearing to parties interested in that part of governor's address relating to consolidating office of controller of county accounts with that of auditor; part of governor's address relating to uniform system of municipal accounting; and House bill No. 325 to fix salaries of harbor and land commissioners, at room No. 428, State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 9th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. A. A. Brackett, Chairman. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., Clerk of the Committee.

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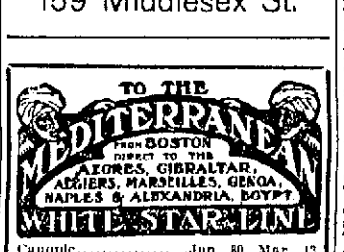

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SUN WANTS ARE READ BY EVERYBODY

HELP WANTED

MANAGER—A large and successful manufacturing concern whose products are sold in all parts of the United States, located at Battle Creek, Michigan, with highest bank references, will open a branch office in Lowell and we want a capable man who can come well recommended to fill the position of local sales manager; salary $120 per year and a commission; our sales manager should make at least $3000 per year in this territory; must invest $1500 in the preferred stock of the company in accordance with our co-operative plan of doing business. Address Auditor, Drawer R, Battle Creek, Michigan.

LADY or gentleman, each county, to manage local business for wholesale house; $20 paid weekly; expense money advanced; position permanent; experience not essential. Manager, 613 Monon building, Chicago.

WANTED EVERYWHERE—Men willing to distribute samples, tack signs, etc., at $3 daily; permanent; no canvassing. Continental Distributing Service, Chicago.

ANY PERSON to distribute our samples; $2.50 daily; steady. "Empire," 3523 Grand Boul., Chicago.

AGENTS—Automatic Washers sell themselves; one agent writes: "Exhibited sample to 10 women; took 10 orders." Time required, 45 minutes, profit over $50; guaranteed to do a washing in 30 minutes; furnishes its own power; requires neither labor nor attention; costs less than any other machine; free sample and exclusive territory furnished; $50 week guaranteed; thousands of testimonials. Automatic Washer Co., Station U, Chicago.

OUR MEN MAKE $3 to $10 a day fitting glasses. Our 24-page, free eye book tells all about it. Write Jacksonian Optical College, College Place, Jackson, Mich.

WANTED—Men everywhere; good pay; to distribute circulars, adv. matter, tack signs, etc.; no canvassing. National Adv. Bureau, Chicago.

CIGAR SALESMEN wanted; experience unnecessary; good pay. Emanuel Co., Station "J," New York.

WANTED—A man cook for meat and pastry. 253 Gorham street.

HOME WORK—$9 weekly during spare time; no canvassing, experience or money needed; enclose stamp for outfit, instructions, etc. Address Universal Co., 325 W. 23d street, New York.

WANTED—Engineer; third-class license. Apply to W. H. Hagshaw, Wilson street.

LIFE INSURANCE—We want a few first-class men who can write insurance; to such men we will pay an absolute guaranteed salary and commission; call and see our new contract for agents. Apply Provident Savings Life, 13 Merrimack square.

WANTED—An experienced cook at the Quincy house, 63 Lee street.

WANTED—A first-class slasher tender on white work; also a few spooler tenders. Apply to F. L. Leavitt, Amesbury mills, Amesbury, Mass.

Compositors Wanted

The Union compositors in the Book and Job offices in Boston are on strike. There is now an opportunity for good compositors to obtain first-class situations at good wages. Some of the best offices in Boston will guarantee permanent situations to good men. Apply at Typothetae Headquarters, 167 Summer street, Boston.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—Situation washing dishes or at light housework and minding a child or two. Apply at 12 Brown street.

SITUATION WANTED—Young man would like position in a store or office, or any kind of light work. Address 577 Middlesex street.

WANTED—A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 89 Crosby street.

WANTED—By experienced young lady, position as office clerk or cashier. Address A. L., Sun office.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 33 Jones avenue, Dracut Centre.

WANTED—A situation as housekeeper by a neat, capable, experienced American, where strict attention will be appreciated. Address J. B. W., care Mucino Co., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—Situation by lady to do light housework; does not object to children. Call 19 Branch street.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Leinhas, room 9, Barristers hall.

POULTRY

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed green cut bone; nothing like it; cut fresh daily. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex Street, room 18, Lowell.

WANTED

WANTED—One or two children to board. 467 Lakeview avenue.

WANTED—Pupils in telegraphy; situations secured when competent. H. L. Whitten, 930 Gorham street.

WANTED—Children to board in the country; terms reasonable. Address box 163, Billerica.

IF YOU WANT a cord or more of dry hard wood for $6, telephone to P. Cogger, truckman, 438 Riverside street.

WANTED—Donations of second-hand clothing for men, women and children for destitute families in our city. Please send bundles or card to Mattie A. Towne, War Cry Sergeant, Salvation Army, Appleton street, Bancroft block, room 12, Lowell.

WANTED—To buy stable manure in large or small quantities. Drop postal to H. W. Foster, R. F. D., No. 1, or telephone.

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$130 buys a pretty little farm of 22 acres. Boston & Northern electrics pass the door. Farm borders on the Merrimack river. A bargain.

FOR SALE—One of the smartest grocery stores in Lowell; now doing an excellent business; splendid list of customers, clean stock, delivery wagons; excellent chance to get a good paying business. Investigation invited.

41 ACRE FARM—20 minutes out on Boston electric line; 20 acres mowing, cuts 20 tons of hay; 21 acres of pasture and woodland; rich, loamy land, plenty of fruit; 14-room house, steam heat, excellent location to take summer boarders; beautiful lake near it.

FOR SALE

SODA WATER pays large profits; fountains from $65 up, on easy monthly payments; little cash required; catalogue of great bargains free; do not delay or you may be too late; soda water tanks repaired. Robt. M. Green & Sons, Philadelphia, Pa.

FOR SALE—First-class parlor stove. Call at 21 Coral street evenings.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 25 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

GERMAN ELECTRIC BELT—Relieves rheumatic pains of back and limbs at once; easily adjusted; price $3. F. E. Saunders, agent, 119 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—Goldfinches, green and gray linnets; also 200 young canaries; choice of this lot $1.50; also lot of gold fish at three for 25c at Moore's Bird Store, 142 Essex St., Lawrence, Mass.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 168 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

YOUR LIFE READING—Many typewritten pages concerning business, love, health, etc., free; send date of birth, sex. Address Astropathic Institute, Auditorium building, Chicago. Reason, your recommendation wanted.

MISS UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards read 25c. 81 Merrimack St., corner John.

LADIES—When in need send for free trial of our never failing remedy; relief sure and quick. Paris Chemical Co., Milwaukee, Wis.

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK—$3 worth of any kind of trading stamps given with one pound of our 60c tea; $5 worth with our 50c tea; $3 worth with our 35c coffee; also fresh creamery butter from Vermont every week. The Elwood Tea and Coffee Co., Davis square.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives wealthy, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MADAM LENORE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

MRS. FLETCHER, 769 Gorham street, trance medium and card reader.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

MRS. ADAMS, clairvoyant and card reader and ladies' employment office, 355 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

MISS UPTON, clairvoyant, card reader, business medium, 81 Merrimack street.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—Five miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN ATTENTION—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Pudden, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1051 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand, bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 165 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 112½ Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Don Marcho studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home, call at 240 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year. Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by having your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co.'s, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGuayran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFrance's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFrance & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—A lady's gold watch between West Ninth and Dutton streets. Finder please return to 29 West Ninth St. and receive reward.

LOST—Black seal glove Thursday evening in Huntington hall. Reward for return to 795 Bridge street.

LOST—Thursday noon, Boston terrier, mahogany brindle, screw tail, bat ears. Finder will be rewarded at 63 Willow St.

LOST—A brown leather bill book containing a small sum of money. Return to Sun office and receive reward.

LOST—A shepherd dog, nine months old. Finder please return to H. Beckett, 20 Concord street.

LOST—Monday afternoon between Chalifoux's store and Middle street entrance to Middlesex club, a pair of eyeglasses in case. Finder rewarded at Sun office.

LOST—A pocketbook between Mannahan and Merrimack streets. Finder please leave at Sun office.

LOST—Between Moody and Central streets, brown hand bag containing money, keys and other articles. Return to Sun office. Reward.

TO LET

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8.00. G. P. Walker, 561 Middlesex street.

TO LET—A 6-room tenement with all modern improvements. Apply at 227 School street.

TO LET—Furnished front room in private family, with modern conveniences. Apply 33 Butterfield street.

TO LET—Queen street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $1.50; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central street.

TO LET—Newly furnished rooms, gas and bath. 323 Central street.

TO LET—Clean, pretty tenement of 4 rooms, $1.25 per week. Inquire 22 Jewett street.

TO LET—One 4-room and one 3-room tenement. Inquire at 81 Chestnut street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 634 Broadway; rent low.

TO LET—Blacksmith shop fully equipped ready for business. Apply at 365 Lincoln street.

TO LET—A desirable house on South Canton street, all modern improvements, steam heat. Inquire at 963 Middlesex St.

TO LET—5, 6, 7-room tenements in good repair. 164 Lawrence street.

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The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590**

A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1904. JOHN J. HOGAN, Notary Public.

The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was: **15,432**

☞This is a larger circulation than the combined circulation of all the other daily papers in Lowell.

☞An advertisement placed in The Sun is of more value to the advertiser than if it were inserted in all the other newspapers in Lowell and the cost of inserting it in The Sun is about ONE THIRD the price charged by the other papers.

Hon. Bourke Cockran is likely to be elected to congress in New York without opposition. He will be a great power in the councils of the nation. He is the best orator in the United States today and his voice for or against any public measure will be a potent force. As an orator Cockran has the rare power that sways the multitude and that becomes after a time irresistible. That is more than can be said of any other orator in this country.

THE LAW HAS NO EXCEPTIONS.

We do not see why any law against city officials being directly or indirectly interested in contracts for labor or material for the city should be restricted to plumbing alone. The law makes no exception in regard to printing, electric work, lumber or anything else. Why the exceptions? Let the law be enforced alike against all.

THE GAMBLING IN COTTON.

The gambling by which the price of cotton has been advanced from nine to eighteen cents calls for legal correction. No man can be prevented from entering into a legitimate transaction but it seems that there should be some law to prevent the cornering of public necessities for the sole purpose of increasing the price. It is monopoly pure and simple and until the operation of monopolies is properly restricted we can have no protection against the speculators cornering the market in public necessities.

AS TO LIQUOR ADVERTISEMENTS.

The article in another column exposing the bluff under which some papers affecting temperance sympathies have published liquor advertisements, will be found interesting especially to temperance workers. It proves by official declarations of postal authorities that a newspaper can reject such advertisements as a matter of policy or on moral grounds. The article is well worth reading as showing the subterfuges by which some papers occasionally work both sides of a public question.

THAT POLICE BOARD BILL.

Representative O'Brien has brought forward an important question in the legislature in the bill providing for the election of the police board by the people.

We have on a former occasion shown how necessary it is to separate the license-granting power from the police power.

The board that grants the licenses should not have the control of the police. The license granting board might best be elected by the people, but the police board divested of the license granting power should not be elected by the people. Why?

Because the board has control of the police and can use intimidation or afford protection to wrong doers sufficient to secure a re-election.

The election by the people of the police board with its present powers or reduced as proposed would keep police matters in politics and add fresh corruption and complications from year to year.

With the licensing board the case would be different. If they performed their duties faithfully the people would re-elect them, but not otherwise. The liquor dealers would be the only class that would be interested in holding them in office. But if the term of office were limited to to two years this danger would be largely overcome. Besides, the people could hold over the heads of the dealers the threat of no license which would probably cause them to be cautious about engaging in political fights even for license commissioners.

What should be done with Mr. O'Brien's bill then is to amend it so that the police board may be shorn of the license-granting power and that this power shall be vested in a new board to be elected by the people.

This, it seems, would be the best disposition of the matter; the best remedy for the existing evils arising afrom the menacing power, political and otherwise, of the police board as now constituted.

REPUBLICAN CROAKERS AND DEMOCRATIC PESSIMISTS.

This is a great time for republican croakers and democratic pessimists. These two classes seem to have combined to convince this country that the democratic party is hopelessly wrecked by Mr. Bryan.

Papers from the Louisville Courier Journal down to the New Orleans Picayune are raking Mr. Bryan and booming Mr. Cleveland. Colonel Watterson represents Bryan as the exponent of a political faith cure and while the New Orleans paper does not so severely berate Mr. Bryan it extols Mr. Cleveland as the hope of the country.

The following is a sample of its wailing:

"Mr. Cleveland is by all odds the strongest, the greatest democrat and the greatest American alive today, but the mention of his name makes Mr. Bryan foam at the mouth, and this would mean a hopelessly divided party. Mr. Bryan himself would may add a third defeat to the two to which he has already led the party, and he is not to be thought of.

"Mr. Hill and Senator Gorman are clever politicians, but they can never lead the democracy to victory. Something more is needed now than political cleverness to unite the democratic party and wield it as a thunderbolt against the crumbling fabric of the republican party. As for the others who are mentioned as democratic presidential possibilities, they are too little known and too little able to excite enthusiasm enough to rouse the apathetic democracy."

The Picayune seems not to have heard of the candidacy of Hon. Richard Olney, a Massachusetts man of eminent ability, a man who will be remembered as the author of a famous letter on the enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine when England was encroaching upon Venezuela. The papers that see no salvation for the country or the democratic party but in the restoration of Mr. Cleveland to power are more prejudiced than is Mr. Bryan or his following who stubbornly oppose Cleveland.

We are not in accord with either the croakers or the pessimists. We are not in accord with the bolters who now pose as the harmonizers and appeal for the defeat of the majority. We believe in majority rule and we believe in sending to the rear any man or candidate who is unwilling to accept the decision of the democratic majority whether as to a candidate or a platform. There seems to be a disposition on the part of the bolters of 1896 to take hold now with the fixed determination to rule or ruin. Inasmuch as the men who led the party in 1896 and again in 1900 were defeated, they should not insist upon dominating the convention as to candidates or platform lest they be set down as political wreckers. Moderation, political sagacity and submission to the will of the majority are the elements upon which the democratic convention must rely for whatever success it may attain. Without these it can do nothing except stir up endless strife and controversy that will give the republican party another lease of power.

SEEN AND HEARD

The fellow who has seen the first robin for the last 50 years is getting ready.

It was E. D. McVey, Esq., who discovered the snowball sandwich.

Expect little from those you treat best and spare yourself disappointment.

These are the days when the mind of man is lowly. The poor fellow has to watch his feet.

The newness has gone from the snow and the small boy has almost forgotten how to make a snowball.

The old saw tells us not to look a gift horse in the mouth and it is also a good plan to keep a safe distance from his heels.

The man who remains sober long enough to regret his words and actions while drunk but lives today to moan of yesterday. Whiskey is a poor panacea for a sore heart and a tyrant at the door of the wage-earner.

The newspaper man so prosperous as to sport an automobile during the summer months and a south sea seal-skin cap and snowshoes in the winter is a wonder in his day and generation.

The fellow who has been singing, "When the roses bloom again beside the river," all winter, will probably change to, "Snow, Beautiful Snow," when the trees begin to bud.

You may climb the mountain of sorrow,
Or sail on a tear-stained tide,
But be sure 'nd get out from under
When the snow begins to slide.

If we were schoolboys again, romping and playing and minus a care, the cake that our life partners make would probably taste as good as the cake that "mother used to make."

A fellow down in Gloucester, who imagines that he has heaped upon him more than one man's share of trouble, suggests that it would be well to change the name of "Old Home Week" to "Trouble Telling Week," and yet there are those who will tell you that the lobsters have all disappeared from Gloucester.

A correspondent who signs himself J. M. Q., writes to "Mr. Seen and Heard" as follows:

"I notice that the police are very anxious as to the condition of sidewalks throughout the city, but they seem to lose sight of the fact that the walk in front of the Market street building has a coating of ice four inches thick. J. M. Q."

"Mr. Seen and Heard" has investigated the sidewalk and finds that it is covered with ice, but he is glad to add that the department is not a bit stingy with its sand.

The story is told of a dignified clergyman in this city who had a parishioner addicted to drink. The parishioner was a very good man barring his love for whiskey. One night the minister met him coming home in such a condition that he remonstrated with him on the spot. By way of clinching his argument, he asked: "What would you say if you were to see me reeling along the street in a hopeless state of intoxication?"

The good-natured parishioner was silent for a few moments, apparently in deep meditation. The minister believed that he had at last touched the nerve that controlled the drinking habit of the offender. "Come, John," he urged, "what do you say?"

"I wouldn't tell a soul, sir," answered John.

The patrol sleigh was very much in evidence in the street yesterday and a great many people got the impression that the police were having a very busy day. The patrol, however, was not answering bell calls. There was a green horse on the high side that James Kilburn, the veteran driver, was breaking in. Mr. Kilburn has shown a good many green "uns" the way during his fourteen years of service in the capacity of driver for the police department and he knows a horse from A to Z. The new horse was purchased by the police department about a month ago. He has had the distemper, but is now ready for business.

Amateur theatricals seem to have taken on new life in Lowell and already three Catholic societies have arrangements under way for the production of standard plays. The Mathew Temperance Institute which has attained eminent success in the dramatic line in years past is to present the comedy drama "The Charity Ball," on May 4th. The Catholic Young Men's Lyceum of St. Patrick's has completed preparations for the presentation of the drama "Friends" next week in aid of St. Patrick's church, while the Young Men's Catholic Institute of Belvidere deviates from the profound drama in producing "The Bohemian Girl," a piece that gives the choral society of the institute an opportunity to show its worth.

The many friends of Rev. Joaquin V. Rosa, pastor of St. Anthony's (Portuguese) church, who went to the Azores in search of health, will be pleased to learn that he will return to Lowell in April. The popular clergyman upon being assigned here shortly after the formation of the parish, worked unceasingly night and day, which in a measure contributed to his health becoming impaired and subsequently his departure for a more desirable climate.

He is held in high regard by the Portuguese residents of the city who sincerely hope for his return.

AN ENTERTAINMENT

IN AID OF MT. VERNON FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.

A musical and literary entertainment in aid of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church will be given at the church on Monday evening in which Mr. Walter David, impersonator and reader, will appear, assisted by Miss Anna Berry, pianist and harpist. The entertainment will begin at 7.45. Admission 25 cents.

SHAWKNIT LOOPERS

HELD THEIR THIRD ANNUAL PARTY AT PRESCOTT HALL.

The Shawknit loopers held their third annual dancing party at Prescott hall last evening and the affair proved to be a grand success, there being a large attendance of loopers and their friends. Dancing was commenced shortly after eight o'clock and Hibbard's orchestra played pleasant strains until midnight. The hall was prettily decorated with evergreen and potted plants.

The officers of the party were as follows: General managers, Lizzie McLean, Leola Cragle, Bertha Foote; floor managers, Alex Pearson, Charles Pearson, Philip Audette; aids, Lizzie Ray, Alice McNulty, Daisy Thatcher, Elizabeth Clinton, Lucy Bernard, Katie Smith, Martha Thatcher, Blanche Dennis.

OAKVIEWS DANCED

GAY ASSEMBLY AT THOMAS TALBOT HALL.

The second social of the Oakviews was held at Thomas Talbot Memorial hall last night and the affair was largely attended, more than 75 couples being present, including a large number from Lowell and the towns surrounding Billerica. Dancing was enjoyed from eight o'clock until midnight, music being furnished by Kiltredge's singing orchestra.

The following had charge of the party: General manager, Fred Conley; floor director, Fred J. Gannon; chief aid, Charles E. Cowdrey; aids, Charles Defoe, Fred Hannon, William Costello and Fred Corr.

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CITY HALL NOTES

Among the other improvements which Supt. Conlon has asked the appropriation committee to allow him to install is a motor in Huntington hall to run the big fan on the heating apparatus now run by an engine. The cost of the new motor will be $500, and judging by what Supt. Conlon, his foreman and his engineer say about the proposed improvement the motor will pay for itself in one year. At the present time an engine runs the fan, Huntington hall being heated by the indirect system and it takes about 10 pounds of steam to get heat. Under the new system with a motor running the fan 10 pounds would be sufficient to heat the building properly. The saving in coal alone will pay for the motor in one year. But the saving in coal is not the only advantage to be gained by the installation of the motor. It will have another use in another season of the year quite as important as furnishing heat, namely of furnishing cool air for Huntington hall during warm weather. As is a well known fact Huntington hall is frequently used in the warm months, and as any one who ever visited it on a warm evening will recall Huntington hall is like unto an oven in warm weather. Those who attended the graduation exercises of the High school last June on one tremendously hot night must still recall how sickening the atmosphere was on that occasion. Huntington hall is poorly ventilated and a bad place in hot weather and under present conditions there is no way of keeping it cool in summer. With a motor operating the big air fan the hall can be kept as cool as the traditional cucumber on the hottest night for the same fan which pumps in hot air in the winter can be utilized to pump in fresh cool air in warm weather. It is impossible to operate the fan in warm weather under the present arrangements as it would be necessary to light the fires to get the engine going. But with the fan operated by a motor it would be easy enough to keep the hall at a comfortable temperature. But another advantage to be had from the new motor is at the city carpenter shop. The motor which runs the machinery there while large enough to do duty at Huntington hall is not of sufficient size to meet all the requirements at the carpenter shop and it is Supt. Conlon's intention to get a larger motor for the carpenter shop for the $500, and remove the smaller one to Huntington hall.

One of the members of the park commission informed The Sun reporter that if the estimates of the commission are cut much by the appropriations committee there will be little or no work done in the department during the year as there will not be sufficient money, the commissioners having shaved down their estimate to the lowest level before submitting it.

The member of the appropriations committee who intimated at a recent meeting that he would not care to hear from Mr. Manning at a hearing given in regard to public opinion as to department appropriations will probably find Mr. Manning in a front row at the hearing waiting for an opportunity to express his views, and if we don't miss our guess Mr. Manning will incidentally give the committee his views on some of the rising young statesmen who get into City hall and make such "breaks" about citizens.

Charles W. Kelly, the well known painter of the firm of Kelly brothers, who made a fine run for the common council on the democratic ticket in ward one at the last city election, is a candidate for superintendent of streets. Mr. Kelly has friends in both parties and they are confident that he will be successful. Mr. Connors is still in the contest and in all probability will be considered further before Mr. Kelly is taken up.

Arthur C. Racicot, one of the numerous candidates for superintendent of lands and buildings, is the most confident of all the candidates. He is sure that if he could only get Councilman Cheney with him that he would win in a walk or at least a hop, step and jump. He intimates that in the event of Councilman Cheney coming over he might be tempted to give Mr. Bibeault second place in the event of his election. Racicot and Bibeault would certainly read most euphoniously on the pay roll. But there's neither rhyme nor reason in some things.

Pres. Braden, it is said, of the common council intends to facilitate matters by appointing his joint standing committees and his Fourth of July committee on the same night and thus making less work for the clerk. The Fourth of July order will be presented in about four months.

FLANAGAN WON PRIZE.

Private Flanagan of company C, Sixth regiment, won third prize in a drill held under the auspices of company E, of the Fifth regiment at Medford last night, the prize being a bronze medal. Sergts. Russell Going and J. Douglas Rivet of Company C received honorable mention.

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KILLED BY DOG

ANIMAL ANGERED BY BLOWS HE RECEIVED.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6—A boxing match with his dog, a great dane, which he had taught to stand up and fight in human fashion, has resulted in the death of Henry A. Thorne of Germantown. The fatal bout took place in the home of Thorne last Tuesday, and the unforeseen end came as a result of the fierce anger of the dog, which had been stirred up by the blow struck by his master.

Maddened by the pain and provoked, possibly, by the fact that he had failed to reach his adversary with his paws, the beast plunged forward and hurled its heavy body against his human antagonist, sending the latter flying to the ground. The dog landed with such force as to crush several of Thorne's ribs, broken bits of which punctured the lungs, which resulted in death.

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COTTON PANIC

Wild Scenes in New Orleans Market

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 6.—Yesterday saw the wildest scenes of this week in the cotton market. At the lowest levels of the day prices were from 152 to 180 points lower than the highest levels and about three cents lower than what cotton was selling for the first of the week.

The market was thrown into a panic soon after the opening by the immense quantity of cotton offered. Where the offerings came from was a mystery, but thousands of bales were thrown on the market forcing prices down ten and twenty points at a time. Such wild scenes were never before witnessed on the cotton exchange. Crowds of people lined Gravier street, watching the brokers. There appeared to be ten sellers to one buyer. At the height of the turmoil the bull leader, W. P. Brown, pleaded with the brokers to stop offering their cotton fifteen and twenty points under the market.

"You will break the market and yourselves if you continue," he said. "Take the cotton yourselves and carry it and you will make a profit on it."

Brown's stand against the selling immediately had its effect as it was clearly evidenced to everyone that the rules of the exchange were being broken by the way many brokers were offering cotton. The bull leader followed his speech by heavy bidding and buying and in a few minutes other longs followed his lead and in a short time, in place of the panic, comparative quiet reigned and prices showed a material recovery, although the market had a weak tone up to the close.

At the lowest levels of the day, March had lost 152 points at 13.88; May 17.5 points at 14.15, and July had lost 180 points at 14.50. The close was from 65 to 70 points higher than the lowest levels of the day.

SUNDAY SERMONS

TO BE PREACHED AT DIFFERENT CHURCHES TOMORROW.

BAPTIST.

First—George street, corner Church street, Rev. Smith T. Ford, D. D., pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Junior Young People's society at 5.15 p. m.; evening service at 6.30.

Morning, "God's Consolations," communion and reception of members. Evening, 6.30, "Going! Going! Gone!" The last in the series of "A Modern Auction Block.

Mount Vernon Free Baptist—Butterfield street, corner of Mount Vernon street, Rev. Stephen D. Millin, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 11.45 a. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

First Freewill—Paige street, Rev. D. B. Martin, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Fifth Street—West Fifth street, Rev. Orville Coats, pastor, 727 Bridge street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Bible school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Immanuel—Blossom street, Rev. Robert F. True, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Y. P. S. C. E. at 5.30 o'clock; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Preaching morning and evening by Evangelist Rev. N. H. Harriman, Singing by Gospel Soloist William James Taylor.

Chelmsford Street Freewill—Chelmsford street, corner of Plain street, Rev. Albert E. Kenyon pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at noon.

Worthen Street—Rev. Arthur Wedge, pastor. Morning service at 10.30; evening service at 6.30; C. E. meeting at 5.15.

Morning, "Andrew Finding Peter." Evening, second in series of stumbling blocks, "My Business Will Not Let Me Become a Christian."

French Baptist church, corner of Ennell and West Sixth streets, Rev. Isaac La Fleur pastor.

Branch street, Middlesex street, opposite the easterly junction of Branch and Middlesex streets, Rev. Asa Reed Dilts, pastor. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Young People's meeting at 5.45 p. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Evangelist Maplesden will preach morning and evening and Miss Ivy Pierce of Boston will sing.

North Billerica—Rev. E. G. Scales, pastor. Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Hadley Street Freewill Baptist.

CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany. Gospel read in the mass and made the general subject of sermons: Matt. XIII 24-30.

St. Patrick's—Owing to the destruction of the church, services tomorrow will be held as follows: In Associate hall masses will be sung at 7 and 8 for adults, 9.20 for children, and high mass at 10.30. The 9 o'clock mass for adults will take place in Huntington hall.

St. Peter's—Gorham street, Rev. Michael Ronan, rector. First mass at 6 a. m.; second mass at 7 a. m.; third mass at 8 a. m. (new church); children's mass at 9 a. m. (St. Paul's chapel); fourth mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 7 p. m.

St. Michael's, Sixth street, Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor. First mass at 6.30 o'clock; children's mass at 8.15 a. m.; second mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 1.30 p. m.; vespers at 3 p. m.

Immaculate Conception (Oblate Fathers) East Merrimack street between Brown and High streets, Rev. E. A. Dorgan, O. M. I., pastor. First mass at 6 a. m.; second mass at 7.30 a. m.; children's mass at 9 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

Church of the Sacred Heart (Oblate Fathers), Moore street, opposite Andrews street, Rev. John P. Reynolds, O. M. I., pastor—First mass at 6 a. m.; children's mass at 8 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 2 p. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

St. Jean Baptiste (Oblate Fathers), Merrimack street, corner of Aiken street, Rev. Joseph Mangin, O. M. I., rector. First mass at 7 a. m.; children's mass at 8.30 a. m.; high mass with sermon at 10 a. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

St. Joseph's (Oblate Fathers), Lee street, corner of Kirk street, Rev. Joseph A. Fournier, O. M. I., rector—First mass at 7 a. m.; second mass at 8.30 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10 a. m.; vespers at 3 o'clock.

St. Anthony's (Portuguese), Gorham street, corner of Congress street, Rev. Fr. Ferriera, acting pastor. First mass at 8 a. m.; high mass and sermon at 10.30 a. m.; vespers at 6.30 p. m.

CONGREGATIONAL.

First—Merrimack street, opposite the public library, Rev. Ralph Gilkan, acting pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 5.30 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Highland—Westford street, corner of South Canton street, Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor—Morning prayer at 10.10 o'clock; sermon at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Morning, "The Present Lordship of Jesus Christ." Evening, "After Death, What?"

High Street—East Merrimack street, corner of High street, Rev. Charles W. Huntington, D. D., pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock, Sunday school at 12 m., Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.15 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock. The pastor will preach morning and evening.

Kirk Street—Kirk street, opposite French street, Rev George E. Martin, D. D., pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Rev. S. H. Woodrow, D. D., of Hope church, Springfield, Mass., will occupy the pulpit, Sunday morning and evening. Dr. Woodrow is one of the ablest preachers in New England.

Eliot—Summer street, corner of Favor street, Rev. E. Victor Bigelow, pastor. Rev. J. M. Greene, D. D., pastor emeritus. Morning service 10.30. Sunday school 12; Y. P. S. C. E. 6.30. Evening service at 7.

Morning 10.30—Christ's Way With Sin.

Evening 7.00—Lincoln and the Gospel.

First Trinitarian—Dutton street, corner of Music Hall avenue, Rev. George F. Kenngott, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Centre—Dracut, Rev. Fredk. L. Kelley, pastor—Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Pawtucket—Pawtucket square—Rev. Edwin R. Smith, minister. Morning worship at 10.30; Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6; evening service at 7.

Morning, "Was Abraham Lincoln Mistaken?" Evening, "The People of Abraham Lincoln." A theme suggested by John Fox's story, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." Patriotic music in evening.

Swedish—London street, pastor, Rev. C. A. Bjornhum—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

French—Bowers street, corner of Fletcher street, Rev. T. G. A. Cole, pastor—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Hillside, Dracut—Rev. J. A. McKnight, pastor—Services at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school and pastor's class at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.15 p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Morning, "Thy Kingdom Come." Evening, Christian Endeavor Decision Day at 6.15—Exercises followed by lecture by pastor.

Evangelical—Tyngsboro, Rev. Sarah A. Dixon, pastor—Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6.30 o'clock p. m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Tewksbury Congregational—Morning services at 10.30; Sunday school at noon; evening service at 6.30.

Pelham church—Rev. J. L. Hoyle, pastor. Preaching at 10.45 a. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

North Chelmsford Congregational—Robert W. Dunbar, pastor. Morning service at 10.30.

Chelmsford Centre Congregational. Rev. Dr. J. M. Greene will preach at 10.45 a. m. Subject—"The White Stone."

EPISCOPAL.

St. Anne's—Merrimack street, corner of Anne street, Rev. A. St. John Chambre, D. D., rector.

St. John's—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock. Communion first and third Sundays and on the greater festivals.

House of Prayer—Sunday services matins 7.15, low mass 7.30; litany, 10.30; high mass and sermon, 10.45; vespers ".

All Saints, Chelmsford. Services and sermon, 10.45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12. Evening service, 7; Holy communion, 10 a. m.; first Sunday in the month, 10.45.

LUTHERAN.

Swedish—Meadowcroft street—Sunday school at 9 o'clock a. m.; morning service at 10.30 o'clock; evening service at 7 o'clock.

METHODIST.

First Primitive—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Morning, "The Modern Demands of Discipleship." Evening, communion and reception service.

St. Paul's—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school and Bible class at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30.

Morning, reception of members and communion. Evening, "Ruinous Alliances."

Centralville M. E.—Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 6.45 p. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Epworth league at 6 p. m.

Highland—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Central—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Epworth league meeting at 5.45 o'clock; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

First Swedish—Moore street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Worthen Street—Worthen street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Berean Primitive—Moore street—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

Wesley church—Merrimack square—Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 6.30 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN.

First—Appleton street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.; evening service at 7 o'clock.

Morning, "Clean Hands." Evening "The Cross Proof of God's Love."

Westminster United—Tyler street. Morning, "Miracles, Are They Possible With Us Today?" Evening, "Why Fuller Understanding Is Not Given to Some of the Deep Things of God."

UNITARIAN.

First—Merrimack street. Regular morning service at 10.45 o'clock. Sunday school immediately following the morning service.

Morning, "The Sixth Beatitude." Evening at 7, Rev. James DeNormandi, D. D., at Grace Universalist church.

Free—Middlesex street. Morning service at 10.45 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.

UNIVERSALIST.

First—Hurd street. Morning service at 10.30; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 o'clock.

Morning, "Les Miserables" Victor Hugo's great story. Evening, union service in Grace church.

Grace—Princeton street. Morning service at 10.30 o'clock; Sunday school at 12 m.

The Church in Modern Life. Union service at 7. Rev. James De Normandi of Roxbury will preach.

LOWELL & PELHAM

A PARTY TO STREET RAILWAY MERGER.

The Lowell & Pelham road, the Lawrence & Methuen road, and the Haverhill & Southern New Hampshire road are to be leased to the Hudson, Pelham & Salem Street Railway Co. The plan is said to be, eventually, a consolidation of the whole net work of railways in southern New Hampshire under the name of Exeter, Hampton & Amesbury company.

These men who control the latter company now control the Hudson, Pelham & Salem company.

The leases will make no change in the service, but will effect a better harmony of management. They have been authorized by the New Hampshire commissioners and will be by the Massachusetts board later.

SLEIGHRIDE PARTY.

What proved to be one of the jolliest and most successful sleighride parties that have gone from this city thus far this winter, left Chestnut street at 8 o'clock last evening and proceeded to Billerica Centre. The party was made up of 25 of the boarders of Mrs. F. C. Kenneson, the popular and well known Belvidere landlady and the large "pung" drawn by four horses never contained a jollier crowd.

The party arrived after an exceedingly enjoyable trip at Smith's farm, Billerica Centre, where an appetizing repast was served. After the festive proceedings, dancing was enjoyed and games were played until a late hour. The trip back was made in good time and the merrymakers reached home covered with snow but all in good spirits. The party reached Chestnut street about half past one this morning. Messrs. George Prebble and John Davidson had charge of the arrangements.

LADIES OF CHARITY.

An important meeting of the Ladies of Charity of St. Patrick's church will be held in the brothers' school hall at 4 o'clock, Sunday afternoon.

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. R. Haggins of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases at Goodale's drug store, 217 Central street, Lowell. Price 50c and $1. Trial bottles free.

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LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER

BROTHER ISIDOR, DIRECTOR OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

BROTHER ISIDOR

Director of Mt. St. Joseph's College

HE IS WELL KNOWN IN THIS CITY

Is Regarded as a Great Mathematician

Brother Isidor, who has been master of studies at Mt. St. Joseph's college on the Frederick road, near Baltimore, for 19 years, has been made director of the institution, succeeding Brother Joseph, deceased.

This appointment will not take him away from his former position as master of studies.

Brother Isidor is well known in Lowell, where he made many friends during a vacation he passed here about nine years ago.

Brother Isidor was born in Badman, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, Germany, April 24, 1853. He spent his early life there and came to this country with his parents at an early age. They went direct to Louisville, Ky. He studied at St. Boniface's school and St. Xavier's college. August 15, 1866, at the age of 13, he applied for a membership in the brotherhood.

At 15 he began teaching at St. Xavier's college and has been teaching since. Brother Dominic, who formerly was director of St. Patrick's school in this city, now director of St. Mary's Industrial school, and provincial of the order, was a teacher in Louisville at the time and he helped educate Brother Isidor.

In August, 1885, Brother Isidor came to Baltimore and took charge of the studies at Mt. St. Joseph's. Said he to a representative of the Baltimore American:

For 25 years I have not missed a day in the classroom, except when I was compelled to leave the college on visits, and they have been few and far between. I have not known a day's vacation, and if I had one would not know what to do with myself.

Even in the summer I teach. Three years ago I was appointed inspector of the schools and that keeps me somewhat busy. The past three summers I have taught the younger brothers of the order at Old Point Comfort, Va., and Danvers, Mass., and at the college here, on the method of teaching.

My whole life has been spent among boys and I love them. In fact, I have been so much with them that I feel myself getting like them. I sometimes find it difficult to act otherwise. Boys are not bad after you get to know them. They love me, I know, for I can tell it by their obedience.

Strange to say I do not know what it is to buy a piece of clothing, or anything even so small as a shoestring. Since I entered the brotherhood I have never been called on to handle money, and I feel at a loss to know how to go about my new duties, which call for just such knowledge. When I needed anything, all I did was to ask for it, and it was given me. That state of affairs has existed since I was 15 years old, and now I am 50. I must begin at this late age to learn the art of finance.

Another thing that will be strange will be changing my sleeping quarters. For 19 years I have had my bed in the dormitory with the boys. Tonight I will make a change, as it will not be in keeping for the director to sleep with the boys. By my leaving them does not mean that I want to. It is because I have to. I had to laugh last night when I entered the dormitory and heard the boys whispering that I was coming to sleep with them for one more night. Their delight at knowing it was simply a treat. If my boys were taken from me I think it would kill me. They are all I have and constitute my world.

Brother Isidor is the youngest postulant that has ever been admitted to the order. In 1884, Brother Isidor organized the Alumni association at Louisville, and started that organization on its successful way before leaving that city. He has been president of the athletic association at the college but will now retire. As professor of mathematics at the college he is unexcelled, and it is contended that he is the best teacher in the country in that particular branch.

Brother Norbert, of the college, has been appointed assistant director, and will take complete charge of all the clerical work, thus taking a great deal of that from Brother Isidor's shoulders.

Brother Norbert is a Lowell boy, having been born and reared in St. Patrick's parish.

SOCIAL AND DANCE

BY THE HIGHLAND COACHMEN'S CLUB.

The first social and dance of the Highland Coachmen's club was held last evening at Highland hall and was a great success. Music was furnished by Hadley's orchestra. The officers who had charge of the affair follow: General manager, Thomas F. Droney; assistant general manager, Edwin A. Davis, floor director, Sandy Dunn; assistant floor director, James Dunn; chairman of reception committee, Owen Flannagan; aids, Michael Kilmartl, George Marchand, Steve Wotton, Swan Swanson, Harry Pentse, John Collins.

MEN'S LEAGUE MET.

The Men's League of the First Universalist church held an enthusiastic meeting in the vestry last evening. Nearly every member of the organization was present and twelve new names were added to the rolls. The business affairs connected with the recent supper of the league were settled, and it was decided to hold a banquet early in March. The following interesting program was given: Piano solo, Percy Hinds; vocal solo, Arthur Fisher; selection by the league quartet, Messrs. John Dalton, Daniel McKenzie, George McIntire and Gordon Lee; banjo solo, Ray Gordon; monologue, John MacNamara and Frank Johnson.

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ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

BUT FRENCH COOK'S AIM WAS BAD.

FAIRFIELD, Me., Feb. 6—Albert Pooler, a French cook, attempted suicide early last evening by shooting. Pooler is 33 years old, and has been employed by the S. A. Nye manufacturing company for several years. Two weeks ago his wife went away. Pooler grew despondent over his domestic unpleasantness and has not been working for a week.

Last evening he went to the house where his wife is stopping and asked her to return. She refused and he went at once to the hardware store of A. H. Totman, purchased a revolver, returned to the front of the house, and placing the muzzle over his heart fired one shot and fell. The bullet glanced upward, missed his heart, and although it has not been located, the surgeons think there is a chance for the man to recover.

Pooler is an industrious and quiet citizen, with many friends in the village.

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Sold in Lowell, Mass., by Ellingwood & Co., Corner Merrimack and Central Streets. Call or write. Blood Balm sent by express.

ST. LOUIS' CHURCH

Will be Formally Dedicated Tomorrow Morning

The new church edifice of St. Louis will be formally dedicated to the service of God tomorrow morning and the new French parish in lower Centralville will become a reality.

The dedicatory services will begin at 10 o'clock and the officiating clergyman will be Very Rev. Fr. Lefebvre, O. M. I., provincial of the Oblate order in America, who will specially represent Most Rev. John J. Williams, archbishop of Boston, who will be unable to be present. At the conclusion of the dedicatory service solemn high mass will be celebrated by Fr. Lafebvre, assisted by local priests and he will also preach the sermon. He will be attended by Rev. Fr. Jacques, pastor of the new church, and several local clergymen. Contrary to expectations, Rev. Fr. Onesine Lacroix, assistant to Fr. Jacques, will be unable to attend, as he is now temporarily in charge of a parish at Waltham, the pastor of which is ill. The choir under the direction of Allier David will render the harmonized mass in the second tone, Mrs. J. A. Foisy presiding at the organ. Solemn vespers and benediction will be held in the evening.

The new church was built in record time. Three weeks ago last Tuesday the first work was started and in two weeks from that date the church was nearly completed. All day yesterday the work of placing the 500 new pews in position was going on, that they might be in readiness for the opening services tomorrow. In the building of the church the most expert carpenters under the direction of Jacques Boisvert have been engaged. The outside of the church has been painted a dark brown, while the inside is tastefully finished in Georgia pine. The choir loft is large enough to accommodate at least half a hundred people. At the other end of the building is the altar, which is constructed of wood and is pure white in color. The church is heated by a system of hot air, which is carried to the auditorium through three large registers.

The parish church is not an adjunct to the Order of Mary Immaculate, as Rev. J. N. Jacques, the pastor, is a secular priest. In the birth of this parish, the other French Catholic churches lose 696 families or 3478 persons, a large number of whom are young people. Though the district in which this place of worship is located is not nearly as thickly populated as are the other French Catholic sections of the city, within the past few years the neighborhood has grown very rapidly and it is a foregone conclusion that the opening of a new church will attract many more French Catholics to the neighborhood.

The parochial residence is located but a few rods away from the church, on Boisvert street, and was built especially for the pastor of the church.

SKETCH OF PASTOR.

Rev. J. N. Jacques, the pastor, was born in Verchere, P. Q., in 1862, and received his education in the Academy L'Assomption of that town. When he was quite young he decided to devote his life to the work of God. This was when he was 12 years of age. In the year 1888 he became an ordained priest while residing in Montreal. It happened that in this year many French Canadians were emigrating to the United States and as a result he was sent to Salem, Mass., where he was assistant pastor in St. Joseph's Catholic church of that city. Here he remained for three years, when he was sent to Cochituate, Mass., where he was appointed pastor of St. Zephirin's church in that town. He remained there until about three weeks ago, when he was directed to come to Lowell.

The officers of the church society are representative French citizens and are as follows: John H. Beaulieu, president; George Lauziere, secretary; and J. A. Foisy, treasurer. The sexton is Dalphis Jarvais.

Following is a partial list of the members of the choir:

Men—Allier David, G. Gardeau, S. Saulard, A. Boisvert, E. Janvier, J. Trudeau, A. Delisle, H. E. Lauziere.

Women—Alice Pratte, M. Pratte, Ida Mongrain, A. Mongrain, Cora Pratte, R. Pratte, Edna Boisvert, Athi Boisvert, Mary Delisle, Alice Lambert, Eudora Dalaire and Ulric Arcand.

THE LUCE LAW

IS GIVING ELECTION COMMISSIONERS LOTS OF TROUBLE.

The election commissioners are now in a quandary as to what they shall do about spring caucuses for the election of delegates to the national conventions. Under the Luce law provisions are made for the holding of municipal and state primaries, stating specifically that the law shall not apply to caucuses held in connection with national conventions.

From the above it appears that the caucuses for national delegates must be held under the old law. Of course, all this appears simple until someone asks about where the caucus officers are to come from.

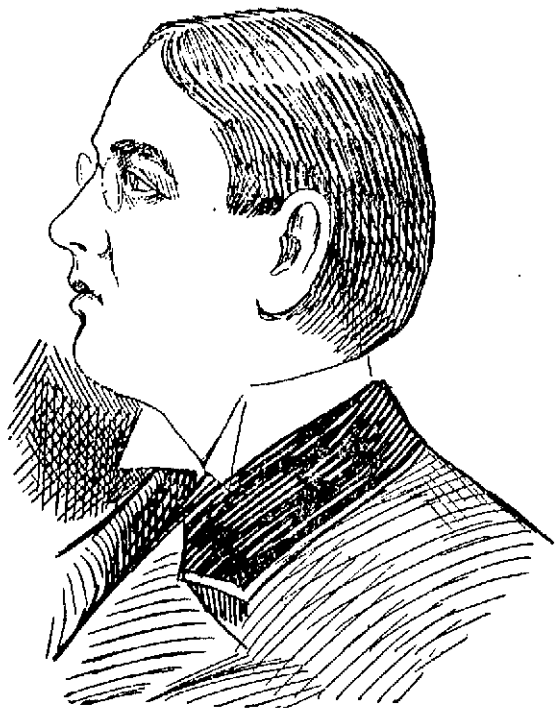
Under the Luce law the caucus officers are in the hands of the election commissioners. Under the old law the caucus officers were elected at the caucuses to serve for a year. There are now none serving under the old law, hence none to serve at the caucuses to be called under the old law in the spring.

The election commissioners realize that they can't hold caucuses without caucus officers, and they can't have caucus officers elected without holding caucuses. The caucus officers elected when the old law was in force were chosen by the parties themselves, and the terms of the last of such officers chosen have expired.

It is more than probable that the election commissioners will seek a remedy through the legislature.

LANDLORDS.

If you have a tenement idle that rents for $15 a month, you are losing 50 cents a day every day it is vacant. A little ad. in The Sun "To Let" column will rent your tenement in a very few days. Others have tried it with good results; why don't you try it?



CHARLES F. THWING.

THE LARGER LIFE

By President Charles F. Thwing

OF WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

Before Middlesex Women's Club

Yesterday afternoon the Middlesex Women's club was addressed by President Charles F. Thwing of Western Reserve university, Cleveland, Ohio. He had for his subject, "The Larger Life." He said in part:

"The thought is altogether too common that the largest life must be intellectual, and the most important part of the life intellectual is the life scholarly, scholastic. It is much to know the world as the world exists, from the tiny flower to the remotest star, so far as science in broad relations offers to us this world. It is also much to know the life of the world, historically. But I am inclined to think that our estimate of the value of scholarship is too high, in comparison with what we ought to regard the life of the thinker. To think is far more important than to know.

"I think that we teachers are inclined to overestimate the value of knowledge as an end in itself. When we reach a certain age our power of forgetting becomes happily greater than our power of gaining or holding. But knowledge as a means for making the thinkers is of superior and of supreme worth. It is not necessary to know much, but necessary to have known much, and to have the results of knowledge in one's intellectual constitution. The person, therefore, who is able to think, who is able to find a principle, to take that principle and to find his way through the labyrinth of facts, that person has a large and the largest life.

"But of course we are not simply knowing or thinking beings. The ethical note is probably more fundamental than the intellectual. Only three or four days ago I was speaking with our president at Washington, whom I have the honor of knowing something, and in good fellowship I said to him, 'Have you no anxiety about the immediate future?' He said, 'No;' and added, 'Whatever may come, I know that I have tried to be straight.' Whenever Theodore Roosevelt or any man, occupying a place conspicuous or obscure, is able to say, 'I know I have tried to be straight,' you may be sure that that man is living a large and a great life.

"But we are not simply intellectual or ethical beings; we are also aesthetic beings. We are able to appreciate the beautiful, the sublime, the magnificent. We are children of the Puritan and of the Pilgrim. Our forefathers, 250 years back, felt that beauty in forms was akin to a church that they did not like. We are the children of our fathers, but we have come to see that the noble beauty in the great dome of Santa Sofia or the arch of St. Peter's or Cologne, may embody emotions that lift and thrill, beneath the influence of which it is hard to be small and easy to be great.

"But we are still more than beings of the aesthetic, of the ethical, or of the intellectual. We are also beings of heart. Perhaps the heart is, of all the elements of being, the most fundamental. The essence of the heart is love. To love, is humanity's first joy, duty, privilege. Love of country seems to be an illustration of the embodiment and the epitome of life's fundamental note and characteristic.

"But man is also a doer. The man who is the doer is the man also of the larger and the largest life. Massachusetts in one relation has a most close affiliation with Ohio because Horace Mann, who revolutionized the school system of this state 60 years ago, did his last work and died in Ohio. Antioch college is great, memorable as Rugby, because Horace Mann was there.

"The larger life, then, the largest life, consists in these five simple elements: Thinking, appreciation of the right, appreciation of the beautiful, loving, and doing. Like a five-point star, hangs this great life over each of us. There are some who can be great thinkers; there are some who can embody great righteousness; there are some who can appreciate, at least in a degree, beauty, the sublime and the noble; there are some who can be great lovers not of one, but of all; and there are some who can be great doers, fighters, soldiers in the lasting battle for humanity; and they in some place include all. Therefore, in fundamental elements and relations, each of us may live the life that is larger and largest, and which is life itself."

HE MAY BE DEAD

Brockton Man's Friends Fear Foul Play

SAY THAT LIQUOR MEN PERSECUTED HIM

Accused Him of Being a Spotter

BROCKTON, Feb. 6.—Arthur E. Vincent, 36 Carter street, left his home about 10.30 Thursday morning of last week and has not been seen or heard from since. Members of his family do not hesitate to say they believe he has been murdered.

A. W. Vincent, father of the young man, said yesterday that the police some months ago employed a man named Vincent as a liquor spotter. Although it had nothing to do with the young man who is missing, members of the family say that, having the same name, he had been accused by many of being the same man, and that he had been offered many insults and threats, so many, in fact, that it became hard for him to get employment, and he had contemplated enlisting in the navy or on a cattle steamer, to get away from his persecutors. They refuse to believe that he has done either, however, as they say he would have notified them.

Vincent is a paperhanger and some time ago was papering a room when he came across a trap, evidently used for hiding liquors. The occupants of the house, according to his father, asked him to paper the room so that the trap could be used, and he did so. A few days after a raid was made by the police at the house, and Vincent was accused of having notified the police but the elder man says that this was not so.

A. W. Vincent, the father, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Fisher, brother-in-law and sister of the missing man, say they think that a search of the neighborhood may reveal his body, as they say those who would treat him as he has been treated since coming to this city would be none too good to murder him. They say they may bring some of their neighbors into court for slander and abuse in order to see if anything can be ascertained regarding his whereabouts.

LABOR MATTERS

HEARINGS ON THEM WILL BE HELD SOON.

The governor yesterday signed the bill relieving towns from operation of the Luce joint caucus act, which was passed last year.

The members of the special committee on the relations between employer and employe breathe easier now.

For five days, the limit allowed him by law, Governor Bates held up the resolve which provides for the printing of 10,000 copies of the report of the special commission which sat during the recess and discussed the relations referred to.

The report of this commission was the sole excuse for the creation of the special committee of the legislature and without copies of the report the committee could not go ahead and justify its existence by giving public hearings.

As soon as the copies are received, therefore, Senator Wallace, chairman of the committee, will call the committee together and decide on dates for hearings.

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You can't expect to weave white satin with blackened hands, any more than you can expect good results from papers with a bogus circulation.

BOWLING ALLEYS

Vespers Defeat the Highland Team

Teams representing the Vesper club and the Highland club met on the Vespers' alleys in Pawtucket street last night and an interesting bowling contest was held which resulted in victory for the Vespers by a score of 1603 to 1527. But two strings were rolled owing to the fact that there were ten men to each team. Candle pins were used and good figures were in order.

Fred Grover of the Vesper team was high man with a two string total of 194, his single string of 101 being the record breaker of the night. Runels was high man for the Highland club with a total of 167, but the low scores of several of the Highland members caused the defeat. The score:

Vesper Team—J. Whittier 147, Grover 194, Bramhall 155, Thompson 151, Kerschner 157, Young 146, Stevens 170, Martin 163, Fletcher 153, Patten 152; total, 1603.

Highland Team—Sherburn 106, Sturtevant 156, Dickerman 129, Anderson 152, Lazelle 159, Wing 156, Barton 161, Green 158, R. Libby 148, Runels 167; total, 1527.

MOHAIRS WON.

The Mohairs defeated the Lowells last night on Les Miserables alleys by a score of 1193 to 1168. Southam and Jewett were the high men of their respective teams and both had the same three string total, which was 235. The score:

Mohair—Southam 235, Harrison 227, Sidebottom 233, Campbell 233, Harriman 245; total, 1193.

Lowell—Jewett 235, Jordan 230, McGreveney 225, Galvin 229, Bowen 229; total, 1168.

MILITIA SNOWED UNDER.

The High Rollers defeated Co. M last night by over 100 pins, the military boys being all to the bad. The score:

High Rollers—McGrath 225, Doyle 242, King 281, Cooney 263, Harrington 239; total 1250.

Co. M—McCarthy 265, Hammersley 208, Wood 222, Dacey 215, Hanel 246; total, 1146.

WELLINGTONS THE VICTORS.

The Wellingtons defeated the All-Stars last night by a score of 1203 to 1112. The score:

Wellingtons—Donnelly 204, Lang 257, McNeely 233, Conway 257, Kelley 251; total, 1203.

All-Stars—Galvin 221, Carey 204, Berry 233, Flanagan 216, Starr 238; total, 1112.

RECREATION LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Ramblers	10	5	.667
Bigelows	10	5	.667
Orients	10	5	.667
Belmonts	8	7	.533
Mohairs	5	10	.333
Columbias	2	13	.133

BOWLING NOTES.

The Connemaras and Welch Wonders will meet on Les Miserables alleys Monday night for the third contest in the series of bowling games. The Wonders have won both games thus far and Deputy Welch says that it will be easy Monday night, but Sergt. Connors says that there will be something doing on the alleys Monday night and with several changes in the team and a good scorer his team will win.

It is understood that Peter Cawley of the Connemaras has been released and a "dark horse" is to take his place.

A pretty battle is now on in the Recreation league, the Ramblers, Bigelows and Orients being tied for first place.

O'Brien of the Ramblers has a lot to do with his team being at the head of the list. In fact put O'Brien in any kind of a fair team and he can do his share to score a victory.

REAL ESTATE SALES

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEB. 6, 1904.

LOWELL.

Mary A. Coudry, administratrix to Patrick McGilley, land with buildings on Concord street, $3500.

Mary McNelley to Henry Smith, land on Bolt street, $1.

Henry Smith to C. Brooks Stevens, land on Bolt street, $1.

William H. Whitman to Woonsocket bank, several lots of land at Ayer's City, $1.

John P. Coburn et al to Warren A. Sherburn, the Bear Meadow, $1.

City Institution to Myles and Winifred Molony, the Sylvanus Bartlett estate, Summer street, $4150.

WILMINGTON.

Nathan Blodgett et al to Lawrence E. Swain, land with buildings on Middlesex avenue, $1.

DRACUT.

Napoleon Jodoin to Alice Jodoin, land at Greenmont park, $1.

Thomas J. McDonald to Charles E. McDonald, land on Mammoth road, $1.

CHELMSFORD.

George B. Thrasher to A. B. Adams, the Chestnut Hill lot, $1.

BILLERICA.

William H. Roberts to Arthur G. Maheney, land at Pinehurst, $1.

PRIMARY UNION

ENTERTAINED BY MRS. HUGH GREEN.

Mrs. Hugh Green, secretary of the district primary work, entertained the members of the Primary union at the Worthen Street Methodist church yesterday afternoon and about 40 were present. Miss Lucy G. Stock gave a chalktalk on the next Sabbath's lesson and Rev. Mr. Allen gave an address on "The Child."

Children from the First Presbyterian church furnished additional entertainment.

Frances Leggat and Bernice Rodgers, duet; Florence Ramsay and Edna McAdams, duet; and Marion Gordon, reading.

The entertainment was followed by a social and refreshments. The ladies of the church helped Mrs. Green make this a very pleasant hour.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Passaconaway tribe of Red Men was held last night and five applications for membership were received. Three pale-faces received the hunter's and warrior's degrees and the exaltion of the chief's degree will be performed at the next meting. Class initiation reported some twenty applications so far for March 25.

There were visiting brothers present and remarks were made on the good of the order. This tribe is now the largest in the Massachusetts reservation and great rivalry exists between Winnepuckett tribe of Lynn and Wingarsheik tribe of Gloucester and the local tribe to see which one will hold the leadership at the next great council meeting in August.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

JOHN J. O'CONNELL, CHIEF MARSHAL OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE.

ROUTE OF PARADE

For St. Patrick's Day Demonstration

CONVENTION WILL MEET AGAIN TOMORROW

The Parade Will Form in Merrimack Square

The delegates to the St. Patrick's day convention will hold another meeting in Hibernian hall tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock when arrangements for the great demonstration so far as completed will be announced by the chief marshal and the division marshals. The outlook is now very favorable for an immense parade in which the Hibernians of this city, Nashua, Lawrence, Haverhill, Groveland, Woburn, Everett and Boston will take part.

There will also be organized at the convention tomorrow a business men's cavalcade which will compose one division of the parade.

It is more than probable that the lineup of march will be announced tomorrow after Chief Marshal John J. O'Connell has a conference with his staff officers and the division marshals. Mr. O'Connell's idea is to have the parade form in the vicinity of Merrimack square and this seems to be popular with about every one so far consulted. It is explained the formation of the parade at this point will accommodate all who intend to take part. The visitors will arrive in the square on special cars and they can repair to A. O. H. hall and don regalias and prepare for the turnout and no time will be lost. More than that it will save the different societies a great deal of marching. The plan under consideration is to have the staff of the chief marshal form on French street with right resting on Bridge street. The divisions will then form on Paige, John, Kirk and Ann streets, and each one will be picked up in turn.

TYNGSBORO FAIR

Annual Event of Village Improvement Society

The annual fair of the Village Improvement society of Tyngsboro took place last evening and was a big success. On account of the recent fire in the town hall, in which the fair was held, there were no decorations this year, but business was brisk throughout the evening, nevertheless, and a goodly sum was realized.

The people in charge of the various departments were as follows:

Kitchen—Mrs. Channing Whittaker, chairman; Mrs. Frederick Blanchard, Mrs. Louis Braddon, Mrs. Fannie Perham.

Dining room—Mrs. William Blanchard, Mrs. Fred Bancroft.

Fancy table—Mrs. Addie Perham, chairman; Mrs. John Truby, Mrs. George C. Dickey, Miss Ina Butterfield, Miss May Hadley.

Toy table—Miss Ophelia Brown, chairman; Miss Maud Perham, Miss Bernice Sherburne, Miss Kate Spaulding.

Domestic table—Mrs. Annie Horton, chairman; Mrs. Ayers Butterfield, Miss Ida Hunter, Miss Grace Whittaker.

Candy table—Miss Belle Perham, chairman; Miss Effie Higgins, Miss Lottie Upton, Miss Jennie Bancroft.

Food table—Mrs. Daniel Lawrence, chairman; Mrs. Peter Littlehale, Mrs. Annie Andrews, Miss Nellie Perham.

Country produce—Andrew Hadley, Otis Wright, William Blanchard, Daniel Lawrence.

The entertainment was in the hands of Mrs. G. A. Harlow and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kable. "Old Acre Folks," a two-act drama, was given by the dramatic club of the Y. P. S. C. E. of the Eliot church, Lowell. This skit has been seen before by this same company of young people, and it lost none of its good points by repetition.

The cast was as follows:

The Deacon's Wife.....Annie W. Chase
The Deacon's Daughter.....Ruth Eaton
The Squire's Housekeeper, Marion Faulkner
The Squire.....George P. Longfellow
The Deacon's Son.....Roland W. Black
The Squire's Daughter..Esther M. Greene
The Country Boy.....Albert W. Pease
The Stranger.....Albert A. Ludwig
The Deacon.....Edmond A. Ramsay

The music was furnished by the Littlehale orchestra.

A good dinner was served from 6 until 8 and the tables were well patronized.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting for men will be held in Branch Street Tabernacle, "Sunday at 3.30. Evangelist Maplesden of Hartford, Conn., will give the address and has chosen for his subject, "Young Men of India," a theme which he is qualified to discuss, having spent fifteen years in that country, a greater part of the time among the British soldiers. Miss Ivy F. Pierce, who is possessed of a sweet voice and a pleasing personality, comes from Saratoga Street Methodist church, Boston, but has been engaged in special metings for the past four weeks with Rev. A. C. Dixon at the Central Baptist church in that city. An exceedingly interesting and helpful service is assured.

The fourth in the series of members' popular evenings will be given Tuesday at 8.15, when the attraction consists of an illustrated lecture by Mr. Asa C. Russell, entitled "The Land of the Midnight Sun." Ice cream and cake will be served. A limited number of invitations will be issued to friends of the members, particulars regarding which can be secured at the office.

ONE MORE WORD TO

GAS CONSUMERS

We are being congratulated on every side of the great saving and abundance of light from our "New Air-Lights." One of our local merchants informed us that during the past two months, December and January, the longest months of the year, against the two previous months, he had saved the price of his new lights and had received double the amount of light that he had been getting from his cluster lights. He is only one out of hundreds who are daily and hourly congratulating us for the great benefits they are receiving from our wonderful Air Lights, which are now on exhibition day and evening at 366 Merrimack St. Other cities that were quick to catch on to the cluster lights, or "Hot Air Furnaces," as they are called in other cities, found that their gas bills were much larger than their lights and are now discarding them by the hundreds. Lowell is waking up to the fact that people are not practically giving away lights unless there is something behind it. The largest dealers in our city admit that I have the best light they ever saw. There are men canvassing this city who claim to have the Denayrouze Air Light, which is not true. There is no one who has the genuine Air Light but me. My agents are furnished with cards and pamphlets of our lights. Don't be deceived. Call and see for yourself.

A. E. BARROWS, Agent,
366 MERRIMACK ST., OPP. CITY HALL.

Closing Out Sale

OF

Furniture, Carpets, Etc.

For Three Days Commencing This Morning

We shall offer at Private Sale the remainder of the W. T. Bradley stock of

Furniture, Carpets, Matting, Rugs and Bedding

The building has been leased and is to be remodeled and the goods must be gone in three days if we

HAVE TO GIVE THEM AWAY

Sale Commences This Morning and Continues Three Days Only at

47 MARKET ST.

ADAMS

BARGAIN FOR TODAY

Arm Chairs

$2.37

Oak Arm Chairs, wood and cane seat, finished golden and antique oak color. A comfortable chair for the living room or dining room, and also a good office chair. The regular marked prices are $5.50, $4.50, $4.00 and $3.50 each. Your choice of any of the chairs at

$2.37

We give three stamps for one on every chair sold from this lot today.

ADAMS & CO.

Furniture--Rugs--Carpets

174 Central Street

Appleton Bank Block

THOSE LIQUOR ADS

Their Publication Has Never Been Compulsory

Official Decision to That Effect Exposes the Subterfuge of Certain Papers That Work Both Sides

There is a claim falsely made by some newspapers that they are compelled to publish liquor advertisements under the postal regulations which many of them do, at the same time printing temperance editorials side by side with the advertisements setting forth the virtues of some leading brand of whiskey, some special brew of beer.

This delusion imposed upon the public has been recently exposed by "The New Voice," a New York publication, in an article which will make interesting reading and which we reprint here for the information of temperance people and others who may have been imposed upon by the same plea which was falsely made by newspapers in Chicago and elsewhere in order to cover their duplicity.

As The Sun has steadily refused liquor advertisements and is the only Lowell paper which has done so, it takes special interest in the information contained in the subjoined correspondence from The New Voice, and hence submits it to the Lowell public in the following article:

FROM THE NEW VOICE.

For a long time some of the newspapers that have been in the habit of printing strong temperance editorials and flashing whiskey and beer ads. at their readers on other pages of the same issue, have been putting up a most sanctimonious bluff to keep the confidence of their temperance subscribers.

In reply to inquiries as to why they should permit in their columns advertising of liquors which they denounce editorially, they have declared themselves martyrs to arbitrary post office regulations which "require" them to admit liquor ads or "forfeit their second class mail privileges!"

The New Voice first investigated the matter over a year ago in the case of the Chicago American, and supposed it had proved the utter falseness of any such claim in its issue Nov. 27, 1902, although the American never, to our knowledge, admitted its mistake. If mistake it was. But the same old bluff has been attempted again, this time by the St. Paul Daily News.

The New Voice presents herewith the official opinions of the superintendents of second-class mail matter at the Chicago and St. Paul post offices, respectively, and in addition, a letter in the same regard from Edwin C. Madden, third assistant postmaster general, at Washington, D. C.

THE AMERICAN'S BLUFF.

John C. Eastman, business manager of the Chicago American, Nov. 4, 1902, answering the direct inquiry of Mr. F. Woodring, Oelwein, Iowa, who protested against the apparent inconsistency of temperance editorials and liquor advertising in the same paper, wrote Mr. Woodring as follows:

"Mr. F. Woodring, Oelwein, Iowa:

"Dear Sir: I think you will find that a smaller number of whiskey advertisements appear in the American than in any other paper in the United States. You may not be aware of the fact, but a newspaper publisher cannot refuse to print advertisements from whiskey houses, even if he wants to. Under the post office rules a newspaper cannot exclude any advertiser whose business is legitimate. If we undertook to refuse to print any whiskey advertisements, complaint would be made to the post office authorities and we would not be allowed to send papers through the mails. It may interest you to know that none of the solicitors of the American solicit advertisements of whiskey houses. All other newspapers of this city do solicit whiskey advertisements.

JOHN C. EASTMAN,
Business Manager.

Chicago, Nov. 4, 1902.

THE ST. PAUL NEWS BLUFF.

J. Harry Lewis, vice president and manager of the St. Paul Daily News replying, November 30, 1903, to a similar protest from Dr. Ray Humiston, of Worthington, Minn., wrote:

St. Paul, Minn., November 30, 1903.
Dr. Ray Humiston, Worthington, Minn.

Dear Sir: We heartily agree with your position regarding the liquor advertising. For years our institution in Des Moines refused to accept it, and it was only when threatened with prosecution and debarment from the second class privilege by the postal authorities that the bars were thrown down. Of course the layman did not know that the paper who receives the second-class privilege must accept advertising from any recognized legitimate business, and further than that it must accept the advertising at its regular published rate; failure to do this would place the refused person in a position where they could bring suit and compel the paper to pay 2 cents on every copy sent from the post office in place of 1 cent a lb. as at present prevails. This you see will make the publication of a newspaper practically impossible.

Very sincerely yours,
THE ST. PAUL DAILY NEWS.
Per J. Harry Lewis, Mgr.

CHICAGO POST OFFICE REPLY.

In response to an inquiry from The New Voice, Nov. 8, 1902, prompted by the American business manager's declaration that the publication of liquor ads. is compulsory.

This is, of course, supposed to be answered in the affirmative; yet it is manifestly incongruous that a temperance paper should advertise the goods of a liquor house, or that a paper in the interest of one religious denomination should advertise books advocating the creed of another denomination.

Were a paper to admit the advertising of a firm dealing in a certain line of goods it could not exclude the advertising of that firm's competitors. I think I am right in saying that it is only in such a case that the postoffice department would interfere. It is not our understanding that the government would deprive a publisher of certain mailing privileges because he declined to print advertisements that were obnoxious to his principles. Mr. Eastman is not wholly correct in stating that papers refusing advertisements would not be permitted to pass in the mails. I do not think we should have authority to hold papers for that reason. It is only in cases where undue advantage is being accorded to a certain firm or individual by the refusal of advertising space to his competitors that we should be called upon to interfere.

It is possible that Mr. Eastman was misled by a telephone message from me in reply to a question put by him on this subject. I did not understand the full significance of the question, which is somewhat too broad to be decided offhand.

W. R. GETTY,
Supt. 2d Class Matter.

Chicago, Nov. 11.

ST. PAUL POST OFFICE ANSWER.

In reply to Dr. Humiston, who wrote the St. Paul post office authorities Dec. 11, 1903, Postmaster A. R. McGill, returned the following terse opinion:

Postoffice, St. Paul, Minn.
Dec. 12, 1903.

Respectfully informing Dr. Ray Humiston, Worthington, Minn., in response to his note of Dec. 11, that this office does not understand the postal regulations to require a publisher to accept advertising for liquors, in order to entitle him to the second-class mail privileges.

The only condition in that regard, apparent to us, is that he may not discriminate against one liquor house in favor of another, but having admitted one such ad, should accept ads. from competing interests at the usual rates.

A. R. McGILL, P. M.
Mooney.

WASHINGTON'S OFFICIAL OPINION.

Knowing that the opinions of local postoffice authorities of even two such important points as Chicago and St. Paul might not be considered conclusive, and of course would not be regarded as necessarily authoritative at other points throughout the country, The New Voice wrote to Washington, D. C., for a definite opinion from the headquarters of the postoffice department. The following letter in reply tells its own story:

Postoffice Department,
Office of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General,
Classification Division,
Washington, D. C.

Edwin C. Madden, Third Asst. P. M. General.

In your reply, refer to C. D. No. 51778.

Mr. F. D. L. Squires, Associate Editor The New Voice, Chicago, Ill.:

Sir:—The department is in receipt of your letter of the 17th ultimo, in relation to your right to refuse advertisements in contravention of the principles advocated by you in your publication.

In reply you are informed that a publisher may refuse advertising on moral grounds, or because his advertising space is filled, or for other reasons which do not touch the question as to whether the publication is of a public character instead of being to further private interests.

The department does not assume to direct how a private business shall be managed; it assumes no prerogative of determining what advertising shall be refused, and is concerned solely with the question whether the publication complies in all respects with the requirements of the law (Act of March 3, 1879) governing the second-class mailing privileges.

Respectfully,
EDWIN C. MADDEN,
Third Asst. Postmaster-General.

The moral of all this therefore is, that no newspaper or other periodical publication in the United States is under any compulsion to admit liquor advertising to its columns.

A newspaper can be absolutely sure of its right to refuse liquor advertising if it wants to, and can rest assured that it will not be deprived of second-class mail privileges for so doing.

If your local paper or your metropolitan daily persists in insulting the best part of its constituency by printing, for a price, the flaring falsehoods and the numerous details that make up the lower whiskey and alcoholic "tonic" advertising of the day, it can find excuse no longer in this time worn bluff that it "has to" put it in.

Push the battle against the liquor advertising newspaper.

SUN SNAP SHOTS OF POPULAR SPINDLE CITY PEOPLE

Our new appropriation boss, a corker seems to be.
He stands for frugal government and straight democracy.
The head of each department is very much impressed
When Wilson swings his blade and asks "Where can I cut you best?"

STEAM HEATING
WATER HEATING
FURNACE HEATING
CARROLL BROS.
Tel. 640. 36 Middle St.

$100
For St. John's Hospital

We will donate the above sum to St. John's hospital for any case of Rheumatism, no matter how long standing, where ossification has not set in, that cannot be cured by our remedy.
(Signed)
DANIEL J. MURPHY CO.

MURPHY'S
Rheumatic Cure
Sold by all local druggists, or direct by
D. J. MURPHY CO.
521 DUTTON STREET.

Two Friends of the Housekeeper

Friend No. 1
The Ideal Food Cutter.....95c
You can't afford to be without one. They are labor saving and money saving and cut all kinds of food.

Friend No. 2
The three-minute Bread Mixer makes delicious bread in three minutes. It's a marvelous production. Call and see it.

The Thompson Hardware Co.

MUNYON'S
PAW-PAW PILLS
FREE

I want all persons who suffer from Torpid Liver, Biliousness, Constipation, Jaundice, Headaches, Dizziness, Thin or impure blood, with sallow and dull complexion, who have Pimples, Eczema or any Skin Eruption to throw away all Cathartics, and all so-called blood purifiers and try my Paw-Paw Pills. I don't want any money—don't want you to invest a penny until you have given these pills a trial. I am willing to give away a few of them so that the people can learn, without cost, that they are the best pills on earth.

I want to prove that Paw-Paw Pills are to the liver and bowels what Munyon's Paw-Paw Tonic is to the stomach, nerves and blood. My Paw-Paw Tonic is curing more people of chronic Dyspepsia, Indigestion and serious cases of Nervousness than all the medicines that have ever been compounded.

Your druggist has Munyon's Paw-Paw Pills, 25c a bottle, or to get a trial supply free you have only to send your name to PROF. MUNYON, Philadelphia.

Physicians' and Surgeons'
SOAP
10c CAKE

GET IT AT
C. B. Coburn & Co.'s
63 MARKET STREET

GUNS DISABLED

Iowa's 8 Inch "Toms" Blew Off Muzzles

NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 6.—The battleship Iowa while testing her batteries on her way down the coast February 4, blew off the muzzles of both 8-inch guns in her forward starboard turret. Flying fragments smashed one of the ship's whaleboats. Both guns are fractured between hoops E and F and the barrels are badly swollen. None of the crew was injured and no damage outside that given was sustained by the vessel.

The Iowa is now in Hampton Roads. She came from the Brooklyn navy yard to Norfolk for coal preparatory to joining the Caribbean squadron at Culebra. The accident will prevent following this plan.

CRAZY MAN'S ACT

Dennis O'Connor Shot and Killed Brother

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Laboring under the delusion that he was being persecuted by witches because he would not join a secret society, Dennis O'Connor, 37 years old, shot and killed his brother, Jeremiah, 40 years old, at their lodgings on Utica street, last night. Jeremiah's death was probably instantaneous and the police believe the self-confessed murderer is insane. He is under arrest.

The two brothers had lived together for more than eight years and were known as industrious and inoffensive persons.

BRILLIANT FUNCTION

AT U. S. EMBASSY AT ST. PETERSBURG.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 6.—The handsome Leuchtenburg palace, on the English quay, the home of the American embassy, was the scene last night of the first large reception of the season, given by U. S. Ambassador McCormick. It was a brilliant affair. Several hundred persons were present, including many of the Russian nobility, all the prominent diplomatists, Prince Doigourouki, Prince and Princess Cantacuzene, Prof. Mourtens, the ambassadors of Great Britain and Germany, and the ministers of Belgium, Japan and China and their wives.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

DOWN IN DEFEAT

Lowell Lost to the Natick Team

HAVERHILL TAKEN INTO CAMP BY LYNN

Military and High School Games

NATICK, Feb. 6.—The home team added another easy victory to its list last evening by defeating the Lowell team, 40 to 14. Lowell has been strengthened by the addition of Matthews of the Springfield team. Martens, Hayes and Healey led in the number of baskets thrown, and the blocking of Sheridan and Falle were features of the game. Allard and Abbott played best for the visitors. At no time after the first period was the home team in danger. The summary:

NATICK	LOWELL
Hayes rf	lb Abbott
Martens lf	rb Holleran
Falle c	c Cairns
	c O'Neil
Sheridan rb	lf Matthews
Healey lb	rf Allard
Punch lb	

Score—Natick 40, Lowell 14. Goals from floor—Martens 5, Hayes 5, Falle 2, Healey 4, Sheridan, Punch, Allard 2, Abbott 2, Holleran, O'Neil. Points on fouls—Natick 4, Lowell 2. Fouls called on—Martens 3, Falle, Sheridan 3, Allard 3, Matthews 2, Cairns 2, Abbott, Holleran 5. Referee—William Marley of Lowell. Timers—Hoey and Gray. Time—2 15m periods. Attendance—900.

LYNN 41, HAVERHILL 19.

LYNN, Feb. 6.—The New England league Lynn basketball team defeated the Haverhill team in this city last night by a score of 41 to 19. Harrington of the Haverhills played an excellent game. Ferat of the Lynns was injured in the second period and Hough was substituted. The summary:

LYNN	HAVERHILL
Ferat rf	lb Keliher
Hough rf	
Fogarty lf	rb Harrington
Mulliner c	c Wachter
Mayham rb	lf Lynch
Kinkaid lb	rf Horan

Score—Lynn 41, Haverhill 19. Goals from floor—Fogarty 6, Mayham 6, Mulliner 2, Hough 3, Ferat, Wachter 3, Horan 2, Lynch, Harrington, Keliher. Points from fouls—Lynn 5, Haverhill 3. Referee—Godley. Scorer—Moore. Timers—Hitchcock, Driscoll. Time—3 15 m periods. Attendance—600.

CO. M 9th, 16; BATTERY C 13.

Battery C of Lawrence was defeated 15 to 13, last night by Co. M, 9th regiment, in the inter-city Military Basketball league. Battery C led, 6 to 3, at the close of the first period. It was a tie, 10 to 10, at the close of the second. Good work by Mitchell won the game for Lowell. The summary:

CO. M.	BATTERY C
Regan rf	lb Boulger
	lb Merrigan
Walters lf	rb Cowperthwaite
Poole c	c Legasse
Mitchell rb	lf Begin
Allen lb	rf Duhamel

Score—Co. M 16, Battery C 13. Goals from floor—Mitchell 4, Regan 2, Cowperthwaite, Legasse, Duhamel, Merrigan. Referee—T. Maguire, Lowell. Timers—Capt. McNulty, W. Shore. Attendance—400.

LAWRENCE GAME POSTPONED.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 6, 1904. The basket ball game scheduled for last night in this city between Lawrence and Hudson was not played as the Knights of Columbus desired to have the use of city hall to repeat their minstrel performance which had a successful presentation Thursday night. The management of both teams agreed to the arrangement and the game was called off.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

STONEHAM, Feb. 6.—The local high school basketball team was defeated by the Lowell high school team in the armory yesterday afternoon in a fast game by a score of 28 to 26.

There were a large number of spectators present.

BASKETBALL NOTES

Lawrence and Manchester battle in the Queen city tonight, and Lynn and Hudson have it out in Hudson.

When Mathews came to Lowell, the old Springfield combination was broken. The Lynn players feel the absence of Toby from their team greatly.

Police Commissioner Pearson and John W. McEvoy, Esq., are the latest fans who take in all the hot ones.

The Lowell players sat for pictures a few days ago. With Lowell and Lynn battling for first place you could not get a hall large enough to accommodate the crowds that would want to see the games.

Natick is a hard nut to crack on the Natick grounds. Here in Lowell we have drummed them but only after the hardest kind of battle.

When they get out their fish horns as they did Thursday night, you can make up your mind that the old enthusiasm is coming back and will be in evidence at all the big games.

Lawrence fans are keeping their eyes on the basket throwing of Hough and Fogarty. They better watch Toby Mathews. He is the man who promises to make Kane of Lawrence do some hustling before the season ends. That boy Allard, too, is getting in his licks.

The best reserved seats for Thursday night's game were sold after the ticket office was opened only one hour. Manager Gray has decided to open the box office at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of all big games during the remainder of the season. This rule will be followed out Monday when Manchester will be here for a battle with the Lowell "champs."

The idea of introducing the players of the opposing teams is a good one and should be followed out on all occasions. It is a great help to those who are not acquainted with the men on the different teams and is appreciated by all. Let the good work be continued Monday and every night when a game is played. Many know the players on the Manchester team but there are some who do not just as there are persons attending the games who are not yet thoroughly acquainted with the local team. Old Sport is willing, so let the work be continued.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

A grand sacred concert will be given at the Academy of Music tomorrow afternoon and evening. The program has been carefully arranged and is sure to please the theatre going people of this city. Every person on the bill is an artist and the program will prove to be the best ever given in this city.

Miss Mae Nelson, the Canadian songbird, will be heard in several selections, this young lady being especially engaged by the management of the house as her last appearance in this city proved to be a grand success. Provo and Elmo, comedy jugglers, direct from the Alhambra Music Hall, in London, will also be seen, and those who have seen this act know that it is without a peer. Messrs. Provo and Elmo are making a tour of the American continent after having played at all the principal concert halls on the other side of the water.

Another highly pleasing feature of the program will be Prof. Martine and his troupe of educated dogs, these dogs being the best performing dogs on the stage today. Handy's moving pictures, all new subjects, is another number and as Mr. Handy has just received thousands of feet of new films direct from the Edison company, few, if any of them, could have been seen before.

Mae Angell, the charming soprano, will be heard and her songs will be illustrated. The premier musical artists, Padman and Johnson, are also on the program. Taken as a whole the program is one which is sure to please the most exacting audience. The afternoon performance will be at 2.30 o'clock and the evening performance at eight o'clock. The box office is now open for the sale of tickets.

NEXT WEEK AT THE CASTO.

For the 20th week of the season Manager Haynes has prepared a strong bill which will undoubtedly draw large crowds to the cosy theatre. Walthour and Kreamer head the program and they present the most exciting act on the vaudeville stage, the race of horse against man. Walthour who is an expert bicyclist races against Kreamer mounted on the thoroughbred, Dolly Varden, and the race is close and exciting. It is the most thrilling act ever presented in a local theatre.

Harper, Desmond and Bailey, the three black diamonds, present their amusing singing and dancing specialty; the twin Nices, the California Rosebud and boy baritone will appear; the Four American trumpeters in their military musical act; Paul Barnes, the man who wrote "Dolly Gray" with songs and stories; Waller and Magill in a comedy sketch, and Alfred Anderson, the male Melba, round out a program which cannot but please all. Green trading stamps are given free with orchestra tickets.

Brought to Light

Lowell People Receiving the Full Benefit

There have been many cases like the following in Lowell. Everyone relates the experience of people we know. These plain straightforward statements will do much toward relieving the suffering of thousands. Such testimony will be read with interest by many people.

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6.22	7.29	6.30	7.26
a6.33	7.39	7.55	8.55
a6.42	7.53	8.25	9.01
a7.01	8.02	e9.00	5.37
e7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.50	a10.17	11.34
7.46	8.45	e11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.00	12.56
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.00	12.03	2.00	3.01
a11.45	12.25	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.50	4.14	5.30
a1.56	2.38	e5.00	5.37
a3.03	4.20	5.33	6.25
e4.47	4.38	a5.47	6.54
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.50
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a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.08
a6.23	7.05	10.30	11.34
a7.29	8.10	11.20	12.22

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6.50	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.32
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	2.56	4.03
2.30	3.35	4.29	5.50
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SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
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5.30	6.55		
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LOCAL NEWS

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Fred Colby and his two children have returned from a visit to Mr. Colby's parents at Antrim, N. H.

Thomas G. Robbins presided at the annual dinner of the alumni of Wesleyan Academy of Wilbraham, Thursday night.

Stratton & Handley announce a recital by Samuel Siegel, world's greatest mandolinist; Hyman Meyer, musician, wit and mimic and J. F. Caveny, caricaturist and humorist, at Colonial hall, next Tuesday night.

Miss May Mills celebrated her 18th birthday Thursday evening by entertaining about thirty of her young friends at her home, 23 Methuen street. Refreshments were served and games and music served to make the evening pass off merrily, the party dispersing at midnight with many expressions of good wishes for the young hostess.

The Highland Sixteen Whist club met last evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Spencer, of Westford street, and after some interesting play the prize offered for the highest score made by one of the ladies was secured by Miss Abels, while Mr. Alexander Strauss won the gentleman's prize. At the conclusion of the play the company were hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Spencer who were assisted in attending to the wants of the guests by Mr. Alec Abels. The club will meet next week with Mr. and Mrs. D. Whipple, Westford street.

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GRAND ASSEMBLY

Of Phoenix Club at Associate Hall

The seventh grand assembly of the Phoenix social and athletic club was held last night at Associate hall. This club consists of prominent young men of this city and while all of their parties have been successful last night's party eclipsed its predecessors both socially and financially.

The dance order consisted of 17 numbers and the music for dancing was furnished by the New Cadet orchestra. Contained in each dance order was a comic valentine accompanied by a verse in keeping with the picture.

The affair was under the management of the following corps of efficient officers: General manager, Frank J. Carolin; assistant general manager, Edward McQuade; floor director, John F. Conway; assistant floor directors, Thomas McMahon, Thomas Moyland; chief aid, James Ready; aids, John Ready, Frank T. McQuade, William H. Delehanty, John H. Donahue, Peter J. Roarke, William Alexander, Joseph P. Conway, William Hartley, Patrick J. Donahue, Edward J. Tarant, Hugh Alexander, David Sullivan, William Mahoney, James Grady, Thomas F. Sheehan, William F. Regan, John P. Ward, Charles Donahue, John Guthrie, Michael F. Murphy, John Heenan, David Pyne, Joseph Higgins; treasurer, Frank Fay.

The Phoenix Club is an organization of young men in ward four, which has, since its inception five years ago become a factor in the social and athletic life of our city. Its well appointed club rooms in Congress street, besides having all the comforts of an ideal club house, boasts of a first class gymnasium where the members indulge in healthful exercise. The Gardner boys are among those who occasionally visit the "gym." The president of the club is Frank J. Carolin, well known as a member of Industry Council, R. A. Among the members of the club are School Committeeman William F. Regan of ward four, Ex-Overseer of the Poor Thomas F. Sheehan and many others.

TOOK LAUDANUM

LEWISTON MAN FOUND DEAD IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, Feb. 6—Patrick M. Boyle, 40 years old, and a former merchant at Lewiston, Me., was found dead yesterday afternoon in a sleeping room at the Quincy house, a partially emptied laudanum bottle by his side. Dr. Harold Y. Andrews of Cambridge street was called by the hotel people and when he arrived he said Mr. Doyle had been dead for several hours. The police of the Court square station reported to headquarters that it was a case of probable suicide.

At the hotel a clerk told a reporter that Mr. Doyle had been a guest at the house since Feb. 1 and that he had come there from Lewiston, and that nothing out of the way with him had been noticed. He seemed prosperous, and when he went to his room at midnight Thursday he seemed to be in good health. The hotel folks thought it likely he had been unable to sleep well for some reason or other and that he had taken laudanum to induce sleep, and probably had taken an overdose by mistake.

Two agents for crockery houses, who were at the Quincy after the death of Mr. Doyle became known, said they had sold him bills of goods in the past few days, and that he had appeared to them to be cheerful and in good health. What he was ordering goods for is uncertain, as he had retired from business at Lewiston.

VALENTINE PARTY.

A valentine party, whist and dancing under the auspices of the Ladies of Charity of St. Patrick's church will be held in Prescott hall Monday evening, the proceeds of which will be devoted to the building fund of St. Patrick's church.

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CITY AUDITOR

Has Been Suspended by the Mayor

CHARGES MADE AGAINST CITY HALL OFFICIAL

Sensation in City Hall Circles

HAVERHILL, Feb. 6.—Mayor Wood sprung a sensation in city hall circles yesterday afternoon when he temporarily suspended City Auditor Fred L. Rowe from office. This is the outcome of the hearing held at the joint convention of the city government Thursday evening, when City Auditor Rowe, through his counsel, Representative Pingree, refused to answer questions asked by the mayor.

"The city council first voted to give the city auditor a hearing and then voted not to give him a hearing," said the mayor yesterday relative to the developments Thursday evening at the joint convention of the city government. He claims City Auditor Rowe acted in a manner unbecoming a city official, and the remarks of Lawyer Pingree was unnecessarily abusive during the hearing.

"My duty was plain," said the mayor "and I did everything in my power to try to prevail upon the city auditor to state what facts he might have in his possession in answer to my specific claim that he did not make a full examination of the bonds and cash of the city of Haverhill in the year 1901; also to tell why he reported that there was $43,000 worth of bonds on hand, when, as a matter of fact, they were missing from the city treasurer's office for nearly two months, and many of them for nearly three years.

"Lawyer Pingree might have talked all night about 'poor grammar' and 'worse law' but I do not think he could in any way make a proper denial that the situation was just as I represented it to be. In acting as I did I feel that I was only voicing the sentiments of the great majority of the taxpayers of Haverhill.

"When I framed that communication of inquiry which suggested a hearing to the city auditor I asked for and received the advice of the city solicitor, whose opinion expressly says that the city auditor has the custody of the fire insurance bonds. Then what else was there for me to do? Beyond any doubt some one was responsible, and I decided that it was the city auditor."

City Auditor Rowe views the situation in a self-satisfied manner. He declines to discuss the developments other than to remark that he noted that the sinking fund commissioners were conspicuous by their absence at the hearing Thursday evening, despite the statement that they "would not only be willing, but be glad to be there."

Y. M. C. I. ball, Huntington hall, Tuesday evening.

BIG WHIST PARTY

HELD AT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE HALL.

A highly successful whist party was held last evening at St. Joseph's college hall for the benefit of the refreshment table at the Valentine festival which will be conducted in the near future. The party was under the auspices of Mrs. Charles H. Boisvert and her daughters, Misses Georgianna and Azilda. The party was well attended and forty tables were required to seat the players.

Whist was enjoyed until ten o'clock, when a pleasing entertainment was given. Among those who assisted in the entertainment were the following: Remarks by Rev. L. V. Lewis, O. M. I.; song by Rev. Fr. Audibert, O. M. I.; reading by Rev. Fr. Viaud, O. M. I.; and a reading by Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I. The latter is the director of L'Association de Notre Dame de Bonsecours, the organization which will conduct the Valentine festival.

The following interesting musical program was also given:

Overture, piano, Miss Georgianna Boisvert, Mr. Alderic Duscharme; trio, Miss Marie Anne Desmarais, Mr. Ernest Vallerand, Mr. Richard Fournier, accompanied by Miss Julia Michaud; song, Miss Desmarais; comical song, Mrs. Maurice Lambert; piano, Miss Lillian Branigan; comical song, Miss Nelida Cote.

The whist prizes were won as follows:

First, portrait of Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., gift of Mrs. J. T. Fontaine, Miss Jennie Gauthier; second prize, portrait of Fr. Lewis, gift of L'Institute Canadian de Centralville, Miss Emma Chaloux; third plate, gift of Grant Jewelry Co., Miss Marie d'Amours; fourth, ice cream set, gift of Mrs. Alphonse Vallerand, Miss Emma Chaloux; fifth, tobacco jar, gift of Fr. Audibert, Alfred Lefebvre; sixth, cheese dish, gift of Miss Andrea Bertrand, Mrs. Albert Guimond; seventh, stone ring, gift of Mrs. Frank Brogan, Victor Provencher; eighth, cup and saucer, gift of Mrs. Hormisdas Vallerand, Miss Andrea Bertrand; ninth, Japanese vase, gift of Miss Laura Dalgnan, Miss Amanda Albert; tenth, toilet set, gift of Eli Deligle, Joseph St. Amand; eleventh, two glass vases, gift of Mrs. Anna de Lamothe, Louis Landry; twelfth, toilet soap, gift of Mrs. Chaloux, Miss Eugenie Ouelette; thirteenth, wax figures, gift of Miss Rose Anna Bouin, Mrs. Joseph Rivard; fourteenth, silver mug, gift of Mrs. William Brantigan, Miss Augustine Lavallee; fifteenth, perfumery, gift of a friend, Miss Josephine Aubut; sixteenth, vase, gift of Ernest Vallerand, George Carpentier; seventeenth, tobacco jar, gift of Mrs. F. N. Legare, Joseph Laferriere; eighteenth, blouse pin set, gift of Frank Brogan, Arthur Beaudry; nineteenth, collar and cuffs, gift of a friend, Miss Regina Cormac; twentieth, collar and cuffs, gift of a friend, Miss Fabiola Simard; twenty-first, mustard holder; gift of Miss Regina Gagnon, Arthur Roberge; boobies, Misses Eleonore and Delia Barry.

Mrs. Ursis Larue, Mrs. Auguste Grondin, Mrs. Joseph Ducharme, Miss Georgianna Boisvert, Miss Azilda Boisvert, Miss Adelaide Fournier, Miss Marie Louise Lecours were the scorers.

The judges who awarded the whist prizes were Rev. Fr. Dubreuil, O. M. I., and Messrs. Chas. H. Boisvert, Zoel St. Hilaire, Geo. D. Jacques, J. A. Maille.

Maxime Lepine of L'Etoile was master of ceremonies.

Grand electrical display at the Y. M. C. I. hall Tuesday evening.

RIGHT TO WORK

Passed on by a Salem Judge

SALEM, Feb. 6.—In the district court yesterday Justice Holden, in disposing of the assault and battery case against Joseph E. Sirois, also known as Joseph E. King, defined the rights of a man to work if he so desired, without fear or opposition from strikers, organized or unorganized. King was charged with assault and battery on Louis Lachance and Joseph E. Gagnon. He pleaded guilty and was fined $25 on each of two complaints.

The trouble occurred in connection with the strike of the workmen at the Chadwick lead mills in South Salem. Wednesday morning 21 employes of the mill left the shop without any notice or making demands. Six men refused to go out with them and continued work. The strikers' places were filled with new men.

The evidence showed that yesterday morning 12 of the strikers assembled at the railroad crossing and as the men who had refused to quit and some of the new ones came along to work they were stopped by the crowd and ordered to go back.

Among those who were trying to get work were Louis Lachance and Joseph E. Gagnon. Both men tried to get by the crowd when King emphasized his demand that they return home by striking Lachance in the jaw. Gagnon also was injured.

King in court said the occasion of the strike lay in the fact that heretofore the men have been allowed 20 minutes at night in which to wash up before leaving the shop. This privilege was taken from them and they struck to get it restored. They object to washing up in their own time.

Judge Holden in passing judgment said that so far as the merits of the strike were concerned he had nothing to say, but a principle was involved in the assault which was for the laws of this country to protect.

"A man can do as he pleases about working," he said, "but this assault was committed while attempting to prevent a man who wanted to work from so working. By this assault two men who wanted to work were prevented from working, thus interfering with their rights as American citizens, who have a right to work without fear of being molested."

FINGER CAUGHT

IN A CIRCULAR SAW BUT NOT CUT OFF.

Richard Rydle, residing at 30 North street, while working at Spencer's wood yard this morning got his left middle finger caught in a circular saw. He was taken to the Emergency hospital, where it was found that the nail had been torn off the finger and that the bone had been badly bruised. His hand was dressed by the doctors in attendance.

STILL ALARM

FOR A BRISK FIRE ON MERRIMACK STREET.

The firemen of Hose 8 were summoned to a brisk blaze at 615 Merrimack street by a still alarm at 12.55 o'clock this morning. When the firemen arrived they found that a portion of the partition in the hallway was burned away and a lively blaze was in progress.

The fire started in a bale of cotton batting, which was on a trunk in the hallway and it is thought that some person while entering the house lighted a match and intending to throw the match on the floor threw it on the cotton.

After a spirited fight the flames were extinguished. The building is owned by the Lowell Institution for Savings.

FELL ASLEEP

WHEN HE AWOKE KELLY WAS ON WAY TO AMERICA.

BOSTON, Feb. 6.—The Cestrian, from Liverpool, Jan. 23, and which arrived here yesterday, brought in five stowaways, A. Derasser, Jacob Diamond, J. Murphy and F. Miller, all Americans, who were permitted to land, and Lewis Kelly, a native of England, who was debarred and will be deported when the steamer sails on her return trip.

Kelly was an involuntary passenger. He went on board the steamer at Liverpool to visit a nephew and fell asleep. When he awoke the steamer was on her way down the Mersey.

THE APPROPRIATIONS

COMMITTEE MET AGAIN AT CITY HALL LAST NIGHT.

The committee on appropriations finished its tour of inspection at 5.15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and the members were well tired after their long riding in cramped quarters. In the evening the committee met at city hall again and devoted two hours to cutting down estimates. No heads of departments were heard. None of the work yet done is final and hence the amounts are not given.

A public hearing on the matter of appropriations will be held next Wednesday.

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IN TEWKSBURY

ALASKA, THE ESKIMOUX AND THE INDIANS WERE DISCUSSED.

The Ladies' Missionary society held its first meeting in the vestry of the Congregational church yesterday afternoon. The meeting was addressed by Mrs. Benjamin Spaulding, her subject being "Alaska." Miss Theresa Small talked about the Eskimoux; Mrs. H. M. Billings spoke of the work of Mr. Duncan among the Indians of Alaska and Mrs. H. Dinsmore gave an interesting account of the work of missionaries in the far north. The committee in charge of the meeting consisted of Mrs. W. J. Minchen, president; Mrs. Enoch Foster vice president; Mrs. H. M. Billings, secretary; Miss Theresa Small, treasurer, and Mrs. H. Dinsmore.

CIPHER MESSAGES

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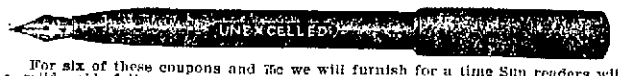

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